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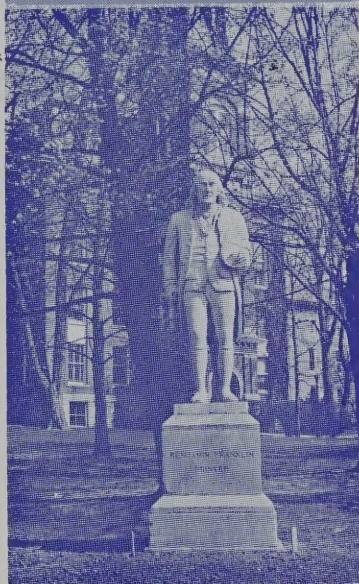
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# Foreward

The Board of Directors of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, Inc., have authorized the publication of "THIS IS OUR COMMUNITY—FRANKLIN, CITY OF CULTURE and PROGRESS" in order that vital information concerning the City of Franklin and the County of Johnson may be readily available for those desiring to know more about this area.

We are able to present many statistical facts and general information which we hope will be of benefit to the general public, students, businesses and industry seeking relocation or new industrial sites.

It is not possible to cover all phases of a community or county in a publication of this size and the omission of certain facts, histories and organizational structures is due primarily to space limitations.

It is the intention that distribution of this publication will be made to the high school libraries, colleges, universities and public libraries in the State of Indiana, and to Governmental Departments in Franklin and the State of Indiana. Planned distribution will also be made to Chambers of Commerce desiring copies, the Franklin Industrial Park Development Corporation, the membership of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, our advertisers and to many out-state Chambers and industries.

We hope you will find this publication very useful and that you will find occasion to refer to it often. We are happy to be able to be of service to you.

The Board of Directors Franklin Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

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To those individuals, organizations, state-county-city officials and departments we express our sincere thanks and gratitude.

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## The Chamber Of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce co-ordinates the talents and resources of business and professional men who are trying to make their community a better place in which to live and earn a living. Its entire function is the initiation and support of projects in the public interest. In a real sense, the Chamber represents the free enterprise system and the American idea of progress and growth. Its genius lies in organizing and directing the energies of men in every community who believe their city has "a place in the sun" and are determined to find that place.

Membership in the Chamber of Commerce is open to all; businessmen, professional people—such as doctors, lawyers, photographers, engineers, teachers, accountants and the many other professions represented in this great country of ours—industries and individuals who are interested in the betterment of their community and are willing to do their share to make these things come about.

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce was incorporated as a non-profit corporation March 1, 1949. It is operated in a truly democratic manner. The mem-

bers of a local Chamber vote for, and elect, their Board of Directors, and the Board elects its officers. The Board of Directors of the Franklin Chamber consists of fifteen members. The officers of the Chamber are President, Vice-President, Executive Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Executive Vice-President who is the Executive Manager of the Chamber is appointed by the Board and is also Secretary to the Board of Directors. An Executive Committee, composed of the officers of the Board and the Manager, transact routine business of the Chamber and have authority to order disbursements for necessary expenses in the interim between Board meetings, subject to approval of the Board of Directors.

Local Chambers, providing they are members of the national body, also vote for representatives who sit on the Board of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Anyone really interested is warmly welcomed in Chamber of Commerce work.

There are three divisions that are equally represented in the Chamber: the Retail Division, Service Division,

and the Industrial Division. Each has four representatives on the Board of Directors. The work of one division may, and quite often does, intermingle with the work of the other divisions. This has a great tendency for closer unity among the divisions as well as creating strength in obtaining specific goals.

In addition to the three divisions, there are several committees which have important work to accomplish and in many cases, long range projects which they consider and promote. Each committee has a chairman, approved by the Board of Directors, as well as a Board member who acts as co-ordinator of the committee work. The co-ordinator reports to the Board concerning the progress of his committee.

The Franklin Chamber has twelve or more committees within its organizational structure: Highway Development, Retail Trade Development, Industrial Expansion, Retail Business, Legislation, Community Betterment, Finance, Public Relations, Membership, Program of Work, Parking, Special Projects, Education, and Membership Relations.

The Chamber is continually working to bring new businesses, industries and residents to its city and surrounding area. By so doing, it provides a source and ever increasing livelihood for the businessman and those engaged in selling their services in the city, such as the doctor, lawyer, dentist, plumber, electrician, contractor, builder and all the rest. A community, and the services that are offered therein, need each other to prosper.

It has been said that industry is the "life blood of community growth." Cities need industry and Chambers of Commerce are continually working to bring industry into their areas. Industrial activity within a city brings prosperity to that community by creating new jobs, additional households, more bank deposits, increased retail sales, additional retail stores, more tax money, more and better schools and an increase in population. Everyone benefits from increased industrial activity.

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce works closely with the Franklin Indus-

trial Park Development Corporation as well as all other organizations attempting to bring new industries to Franklin which will add to the growth and prosperity of the area.

The Retail Merchants Division is composed of retailers who are members of the Chamber of Commerce. The Chairman of this division is elected by the retail members subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The Co-Chairman is also elected. This division receives assessments from each member to defray the costs of retail promotions. The Treasurer is the Executive Vice-President of the Chamber. The merchants meet regularly, every-other week, to plan their promotions and handle other business of the division. City-wide promotions sponsored by this division include Washington Birthday in February; Dollar Day in March; Easter Promotion in April; Big "500 Sales Specials", "Little 500 Festival Parade" and the "World's Original Little 500 Power Mower Race" in May; Crazy Daze in July; Dollar Days in August; Old Fashion Bargain Days in September; and the Christmas Promotion starting late in November. Besides these city-wide promotions sponsored by the Retail Division many of the stores promote their own sales and events throughout the year.

The merchants participating in the divisional promotions have found that through unity and co-operation they have been able to show considerable gains in their retail sales.

The Chamber has many duties and obligations to perform to the citizens of the community that are not covered by divisional or committee work. It has, as one of its obligations, the protection of the public from fraudulent business schemes and the protection of the citizenry from illegal solicitations. Many citizens call upon the Chamber for advice and assurance concerning many types of business dealings. They look upon the Chamber as "their right arm" and utilize the services of the Chamber as much, if not more, than many of the businesses themselves.

Many requests are received from schools, businesses, cities, individuals,

corporations and other sources requesting information concerning Franklin and the surrounding area as well as the businesses located here. These requests require from minutes to many hours to answer as they are in the form of surveys, technical information, compiled questionnaires, etc.

Close liaison is maintained between city and county governmental administrations and co-operation between these units is exceptionally fine in Franklin and Johnson County. The Chamber and the news media within the area work very closely together creating a strong public relations and promotional unit which brings to the public important and timely information concerning the welfare of the community.

The Chamber promotes, through its divisions and committees, many events and projects during the year. These projects and promotions involve the time and work of many individuals and committees, as well as the assistance and co-operation of the city and county officials, the radio and newspapers; all working together to improve the retail, business and industrial climate of the area thus making the community a better place in which to do business and prosper.

Chambers throughout the nation recognize and salute these people, for they are the ones who have sacrificed their time, money and efforts in order that all will benefit. They are the ones who have accepted the responsibility of making their community a better place in which to work, play, live and do business.

Franklin is like any other city in regards to its Chamber of Commerce. It takes two to make the operation successful. The Chamber, and YOU—united the Chamber grows stronger and the city continues to grow, and be prosperous.

Franklin has found that by uniting its businesses, professional and industrial resources it has created a united front—all working towards the same goals of community betterment, industrial, retail and business growth and a good business climate. Franklin is a prosperous and healthy city. *This is the Chamber of Commerce.*

## Johnson County Sheriff Department

The Johnson County Sheriff Department is an efficient law enforcement agency. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer in the county and has three full-time deputies to assist him in carrying out his duties.

The Sheriff is elected for a four year term and may seek re-election. He maintains his living quarters in the County Jail Building and is the custodian of the County Jail. The Matron is the wife of the Sheriff.

The department has two official patrol cars that patrol the county roads as well as the state highways. The cruisers are also used for complaint work and are radio-equipped. They travel approximately 120,000 miles a year and are owned by the county.

Officers of the department are theoretically on duty 24 hours a day, which means that they are subject to call at all times even when not working their eight hour shifts.

The annual budget for 1964 is approximately \$63,000. The County Jail has a capacity for holding 31 persons. During an eight-month period the department received 582 complaints. Monies handled by the Sheriff include bonds, fines, costs and delinquent Gross Income Tax funds. The Sheriff is accountable to the Board of Commissioners only.

New officers on the department work with the Sheriff for a period of time before they start handling complaints on their own. There is a fine working relationship between the Sheriff Department and the State Police.

Residents of Johnson County are very proud of its Sheriff Department and know that the maintaining of law and order rests in the hands of a capable and efficient department.

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**This is our  
Community—  
FRANKLIN**

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Mr. Raymond Fuller, Executive Vice President  
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63 South Water Street  
Franklin, Indiana

Dear Mr. Fuller:

Your publication, you have produced  
will be of extreme value to all citizens, especially  
those looking for a suitable location.

Our congratulations to you, and to  
all who were responsible for your fine brochure on  
Franklin.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert E. Drake". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Robert E. Drake  
Mayor

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**FRANKLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
FRANKLIN - INDIANA**



TO THE READER:

May I express my sincere appreciation to the  
advertisers and to the members of the Chamber of Commerce  
who worked so diligently in the preparation of this brochure.

This publication reflects the progress and culture  
of the community and will provide a historical record and  
will give pictorial information for educational institutions,  
civic groups, business enterprises and interested industries.

Franklin is proud of its heritage. It has furnished  
a solid foundation of true American Citizenship on which to  
build a stable and progressive city of tomorrow.

Yours Sincerely,

*Jonas E. Markey*  
Jonas E. Markey, President

FRANKLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.

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Mr. Raymond S. Fuller  
Executive Secretary-Manager  
Franklin Chamber of Commerce  
63 S. Water Street  
Franklin, Indiana

Dear Mr. Fuller:

Thank you for furnishing me with the information regarding the community brochure that you are preparing.

We would like to have several copies for our Department of Commerce as soon as it becomes available.

Dissemination of information such as you are preparing is a very effective tool in the economic development functions of this Department. We hope more communities follow your example.

Very truly yours,

*J. Arthur York*  
J. Arthur York

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Mr. Raymond S. Fuller  
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Dear Mr. Fuller:

The descriptive brochure that you are preparing will, I am sure, be a very useful addition to our file on your community.

This office is frequently required to supply industrial prospects and expanding Indiana firms with just the type of material your book is to contain. The emphasis on photographs is well considered and will lend more authority to your presentation.

Keep up the good work!

Cordially yours,

Richard O. Ristine  
Lieutenant Governor

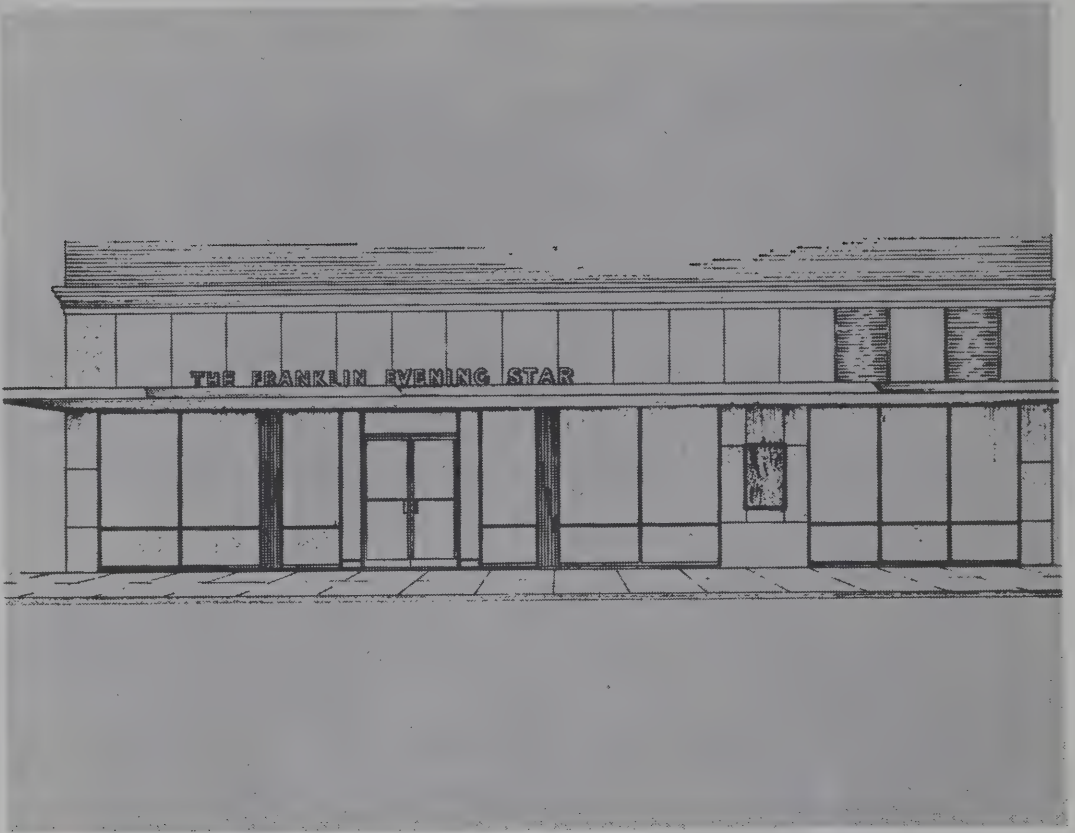
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... around the square in downtown Franklin





**Newspapers: top, Franklin Evening Star; bottom, The Daily Journal**



# Retail Businesses

Franklin is endowed with many fine retail businesses. These businesses serve the city as well as the surrounding area efficiently and offer a variety of goods, merchandise and services for the resident as well as the tourist. There are approximately seventy retail businesses in the area with many new businesses opening each year.

Franklin has several fine chain stores including clothing, variety, grocery, restaurants, paint and hardware stores. Many of the stores in the downtown area support city-wide promotions throughout the year which include promotions such as Washington's Birthday, Dollar Day, Crazy Days, Little 500 Sales Specials, Old Fashion Bargain Days and Christmas promotions. These

retail promotions have been of great benefit to the businesses that participate.

The downtown restaurants, jewelry stores, mens and womens clothing stores, shoe stores, variety stores and the many other retail stores have remodeled, both inside and outside, thus modernizing the downtown shopping area.

Shoppers come to Franklin from as far away as fifty miles and Franklin enjoys a healthy retail shopping climate. Stores are open every day of the week except Wednesday afternoons and are open Friday evenings. Wednesday afternoon several retail businesses do remain open to handle the shopping trade that comes into the city. The drug stores remain open at all times in order that prescriptions and needed articles may be obtained for any emergency.





**Radio Statons: top, WIFN-FM (commercial); bottom, WFCI-FM (educational,  
located at Cline Hall, Franklin College)**





### **Indiana Masonic Home Hospital**

## **The Indiana Masonic Home**

The Indiana Masonic Home, which in the Fall of 1962 observed its 50th anniversary, has long fulfilled a Masonic dream of providing shelter, food and clothing for aged and destitute Masons and their families and orphans.

The Home, located at the southeast edge of Franklin, was officially opened on Saturday, Oct. 28, 1916. It has grown until now it serves more than 400 guests.

Facilities of the Home have been expanded and improved since that time and now boasts a modern hospital, one of the first such Masonic Home institutions in the nation. It is recognized as one of the finest hospitals for the aged in the world.

The Indiana Masonic Home has grown to serve more and more Hoosier Masons through the years. Latest in the remodeling program was the work done on the Eastern Star Building, formerly the nursing hospital. The building is designed to accommodate 54 guests. Annual cost of maintaining the building is about \$100,000.

Other buildings on the grounds include the Administration building, Scottish Rite building, Holloway Hall which is used as a public school and offices of the state publication, The Indiana Freemason. Other structures include a power house, boys' and girls' dormitories, laundry.

A large farm is maintained on the ground with some of the finest dairy cattle which are noted for their milk production.

The beautiful landscaped grounds at the south edge of the city is visited each Fall by more than 6,000 Masons from all sections of Indiana. Many others visit the Home throughout the year.

### **Administraion Building and some residential halls**





## The Johnson County Memorial Hospital

The Johnson County Memorial Hospital, which opened in 1947, serves a large, and rapidly growing area. Many patients go there from surrounding counties including Marion, Bartholomew, Brown and Morgan Counties.

High quality service is provided for thousands of patients. The hospital administration points with pride to the fact that the center is self-supporting and no tax funds are used to operate it.

Full-time employment is provided for about 230 persons and numerous volunteers have given generously of their time to the hospital. At this time, the hospital has an annual payroll of more than \$750,000.

The population of the county has grown rapidly and is now the fastest-growing area in the state. The hospital has expanded to fill the need. The second wing was opened in 1956 and the facility now has 128 beds. Preliminary planning has been done for future expansion of the hospital to meet the needs of the community.

The Johnson County Memorial Hospital is equipped with modern x-ray equipment, laboratory, kitchen facilities, and blood bank. An excellent hospital staff includes 32 doctors, 78 registered nurses, and 95 nurses' aides and orderlies.

Aware of the reliance of the community on the hospital in the event of a disaster, the hospital administration has worked closely with the Civil Defense organization in perfecting a disaster plan.

Residents of Johnson County are proud of their hospital—and justly so.

# The Methodist Home For The Aged

Franklin is quite unique in that it has been chosen as the site for two homes to provide a haven for people in their golden years. The newer of the two is the Methodist Home for the Aged located at the West edge of the city.

The Methodist Home is located on a 40-acre site, beautifully landscaped, which was given to the Indiana Annual Conference by the Grace Methodist Church of this city, the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, and other groups and individuals.

The Central Building was opened in January, 1957, and the West Wing in January, 1960. With the completion of the East Wing, which is now under construction, the Home is designed to accommodate approximately 245 guests. The total assets of the Home amount to \$2,598,767.00.

Facilities at the Home include a health center, chapel, recreational facilities, one and two-room apartments for guests, solariums, kitchen, and other basic units. A number of guests have built homes on the grounds.

The Home offers a private, air-conditioned room, with ample closet space, tub and shower bath, a kitchenette if desired, connections available for TV, radio and public address system. Also a nurse call-bell for emergencies and telephone. These facilities provide all of the comforts of a private residence.

One of the features of the Home is its program of instruction in arts and crafts and numerous social events. The Holcomb Lobby is attractively furnished and vesper services are conducted there each Sunday evening. Other facilities offered by the Home include shuffleboard, table games, television, craft rooms, private dining room for guests, barber shop and beauty parlor, library, vespers, hobbies and music. Excellent food is prepared under the direction of experienced cooks and served in a large, spacious dining room.

Nurse care is available 24 hours a day if needed, as is all medical care except dental, optical and surgical services. The Home employs some seventy persons either full or part-time.

Upon the completion of the East Wing the Home will have some 74 new one and two room units, a new Chapel seating 300 persons, additional rooms added to the Health Center and enlarged kitchen facilities.

This is a Christian Home. Members are encouraged to attend services in the churches of their choice. Sunday evening Vespers and mid-week meetings are held in the Home.

The Methodist Home for the Aged is one of the "crown jewels" of Franklin. Visitors should not leave without viewing the beautiful buildings on Indiana 144 at the West edge of the city.





# Franklin College

Founded in 1834, Franklin College is the fifth oldest college in the state of Indiana. The college is proud to bear the name of Benjamin Franklin—a man whose curiosity was never satisfied, whose zest was never suppressed, and whose sense of humor set him apart from other men.

The first building at Franklin was constructed in 1836 on the site of the school's present library. It was a one-story frame structure, 26 by 38 feet, and it cost about \$350.

Buildings have been added—and are being added—through the years. Changes have been made, for they are necessary for a growing institution. Franklin's history is rich with incidents and traditions. But what is the purpose of "history," if not to learn from it and to make necessary adjustments for the future.

"Franklin College is a privately endowed, residential, coeducational, four-year college of the liberal arts, voluntarily associated with the American Baptist Convention."

That statement of fact is "history." Building upon that, in 1957 the college

faculty asked the question: "Are we approaching the study of the liberal arts in the most helpful and thorough way?"

The answer to this question and subsequent curriculum study was the Liberal Studies Program—a concept of the liberal arts existing to implement two broad objectives of Franklin College:

1. To provide the student with the basic tools of reasoning and expression;
2. To introduce the student to the essentials of his political, intellectual, cultural, and religious heritage and to those aspects of science and mathematics necessary for an educated layman.

The courses of the Liberal Studies Program are closely related to one another. In each course, students are held responsible for what has been covered in other courses of the program. The emphasis is on acquiring that knowledge which goes beyond any one field of study—on to the essential interrelatedness of the great ideas and issues that are the core of a liberal education.

In the junior and senior years, the Franklin student moves into the Advanced Studies Program. This takes him into his field of specialization, or major (called the Area of Concentration at Franklin). To this particular field is added work in one or more closely re-

# Franklin -- City Government

Franklin is classified as a Fifth Class City according to its population. The 1960 census listed Franklin with a population of 9,453. It is estimated that the population is now between 10,000 and 11,000. As these figures are not official, no action can be taken to change the classification of the city to that of Fourth Class.

The elected officials of the City of Franklin are the five members of the City Council, the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer. These officials are elected for a term of four years and the elections are held on the odd numbered years immediately preceding presidential election years. The elected officials may seek re-election if they so desire.

The City Council is composed of five members. The city is divided into four wards. Each political party nominates one candidate from each of the wards

lated fields, striving for both the breadth and depth needed for the truly liberal education.

Recently, Franklin College announced a 10-year, long-range development program which will enable the college to accommodate 1,000 students by 1970.

The first step, a new library, is now taking shape as the B. F. Hamilton Memorial Library. It is a three-story stone and brick structure designed to meet the needs of a student body of 1,000.

Four other buildings are to follow: a chapel, and additional classroom building, a fine arts center, and a communications building.

Recreational improvements and endowment funds for scholarships and faculty salary underwriting are also included in the long-range plan. Other provisions include additional housing for resident students, improvement and remodeling of present facilities, construction of a woman's gymnasium, and a 12-bed student infirmary.

So it is that Franklin College moves from a rich past, into an exciting present, and towards a challenging future.

or districts, and one candidate for councilman-at-large. The city voters vote for five candidates. The candidate in each ward or district receiving the highest number of votes, in that district, is elected. The councilman-at-large who receives the highest number of votes is also elected.

The City Council is the legislative body of the city government. It must meet at least once a month. Under the present administration the council has been meeting the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month in the City Building. The Mayor may call special meeting of the council as he desires and all official meetings of the council are public. The Mayor presides at all meetings of the council. In his absence, the council chooses one of its members as the presiding officer. The city clerk-treasurer acts as the clerk of the council.

The City Council possesses many powers some of which are: to provide a corporation seal; fix salaries and compensation of city officials in accordance to general law; protect city property; provide punishment for contempt in the rooms of the council; regulate or prohibit itinerant street performers; compel the occupants of unclean places to cleanse them, the jurisdiction being four miles beyond the corporate limits for sanitation and sewers; provide a census of the city; provide quarantine regulations; make regulations to improve health and suppress disease; regulate and prohibit excess street noises; define fire limits in the city; regulate the location and management of cemeteries; receive gifts, donations and bequests for the city; regulate use of firearms and fireworks; and declare what constitutes a nuisance and provide for the prevention and punishment of any person creating such a nuisance.

The Mayor is the chief administrative officer of the city. Among the many duties he performs are: the executing and supervising the enforcement of the ordinances of the city and the laws of the state; the presentation at least once a year of a statement of the the finan-

ces and the condition of the city; make recommendations in writing to the council; responsible for the efficiency of the city government and has general supervision over subordinate officers; fills vacancies by appointment for unexpired terms in the offices of the city except that of mayor or councilman; appoints the heads and employees of the various departments of the city; approves or disapproves of ordinances passed by the city council; calls monthly meetings of city department heads; may appoint persons to check department accounts and issues proclamations.

The city Clerk-Treasurer keeps the record of the council meetings; prepares an ordinance book; retains the city seal and is in charge of the books and documents; is clerk of the Board of Public Works & Safety and has many other functions of the office to fulfill.

Departments, boards and commissions within the city organization structure include the Department of Public Works

& Safety, Department of Parks and Recreation, Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Law, Department of Health (City-County), Board of Zoning Appeals, City Planning Commission. The County Auditor is an Ex-Officio city official.

Each of the departments, boards and commissions have their zones of responsibility for the maintaining of the welfare of the city. The heads of these branches of city government are appointed by the Mayor who may, at any time, suspend or remove from office any or all, or other persons whether appointed by him or by any of his predecessors.

Under the state law, cities are empowered to perform many services and to enact a number of regulations which affect all those living within the corporate limits. City councils are empowered to define and set the boundaries and corporate limits.





## Johnson County Government

The organization of Johnson County took place in 1822. The County Government, as it exists today, is a far cry from that of the early organization years.

Johnson County, in the form of a rectangle, is twenty miles long and sixteen miles wide, with Franklin located just South-east of the center of the County. There are nine townships in the county.

Franklin is the County Seat of Johnson County. The present Court House, located on the square, was started in 1879 and it is in this building that most of the County government is administered.

The elected officials of Johnson County are: the Sheriff; the Prosecuting Attorney (who is the prosecuting at-

torney for the 8th judicial circuit which comprises Johnson County and Brown County); the Clerk of the Johnson Circuit Court; the Recorder; Treasurer; Auditor; Assessor; Surveyor; Superior Court Judge; Superintendent of Schools; Board of Commissioners and the County Council; and Coroner.

The Superior Court is a county court and the judge of that court is elected for four years. The Circuit Court, while holding its sessions in the Court House, represents two counties, Johnson and Brown, and the Circuit Court Judge is elected for a term of six years.

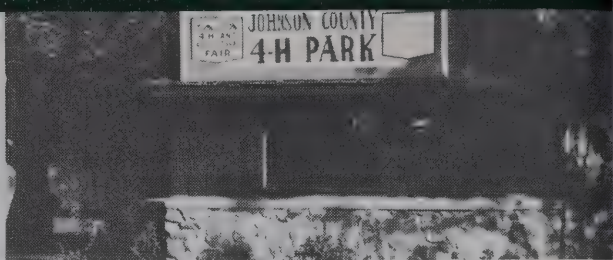
Most of the elected officials hold a four year term of office. However, the Surveyor's term is 2 years and the Commissioners' term is 3 years; the commissioners' term will become four years

starting January 1, 1964. There are three commissioners that form the Board of Commissioners and they are actually the governing body of the county. The County Council has a membership of nine Councilmen and one of their primary functions is to approve various county budgets.

All county elected officials are not elected at the same election—some terms are staggered. There is a two-term limit for which an elected official may hold office in the county.

The presiding officer of the Board of Commissioners is the Chairman and the Board meets once a month. Practically all elected officials have offices furnished in the Court House, however the Prosecuting Attorney furnishes his own office.

There are four terms of Court; March, June, September and December. The fiscal year of the county is the calendar year.



## Johnson County 4-H Program

A well rounded 4-H program is offered in Johnson County. There are 1060 boys and girls enrolled in club work in 42 organized local 4-H clubs.

Activities participated in by the boys and girls 10 to 20 years of age includes judging contests, demonstrations, public speaking, and trips, such as the Purdue Round-Up, State Junior Leader Conference, Conservation Camp, Forestry Camp, and State Fair Girls School.

The local 4-H clubs are led by 55 adult volunteer leaders who give freely of their time. Each club holds approximately 8 meetings during the summer months where the members are given knowledge pertaining to their projects. The members are also taught how to conduct a meeting in the proper manner.

The 4-H projects offered in Johnson County include Beef, Corn, Crafts, Dairy, Electric, Entomology, Food Preservation, Foods, Forestry, Garden, Home Furnishings, Home Grounds Improvement, Lamb, Photography, Pig, Poultry, Rabbit, Soil and Water Conservation, Tractor Maintenance, and Wildlife.

There is a wide variety of projects due to the movement of the youth off the farm and into the rural non-farm and city areas. In 1963, 35% of the boys and girls lived on the farm, 40% were rural non-farm, and 25% lived in the city.

4-H in Johnson County is a year-round activity with most of the local clubs organizing around National 4-H Club Week, which is the first week in March.

Many adult organizations and businesses, along with the County Extension Service, support the 4-H Program with their time and talent. This is shown by the support given the members in the manner of awards and trips.



# Industrial Site Information

The Franklin Industrial Park Development Corporation, with its offices located in the Mutual Building & Loan Ass'n. Bld'g., 38-40 N. Water Street, Franklin, Indiana—Phone 736-5811, offers many choice industrial sites in the Franklin area. These sites and their locations may be obtained at any time by calling or writing the Franklin Industrial Park Development Corporation. The sites are from three (3) acres to one hundred fifty seven (157) acres in size. Many have utilities, rail and highway services already available. A hard surfaced road, built to accommodate heavy industrial traffic, has been built by the Franklin Industrial Park Development Corporation connecting some of the available sites.

Information in this publication will be of interest to all businessmen and industrialists seeking new business sites for the purpose of re-location, starting a new business or expanding present facilities. We urge you to consider Franklin, Indiana, for your business site with its many industrial advantages, civic and community offerings.

## NATURAL RESOURCES

The chief natural resources are our agricultural products. These products include tomatoes, corn, soy beans, wheat etc.

## CHIEF ADVANTAGES FOR INDUSTRY

Franklin is located in the Indianapolis metropolitan area. Franklin has good highways, two railroads, close proximity to Weir Cook Municipal Airport (Indianapolis), the Mullendore Airport (Franklin), adequate bus lines and truck freight lines.

The contour of the ground is level, with adequate drainage (no floods), and good industrial sites.

The Franklin area is ideal for prac-

tically all types of industry. The community attitude toward new industry is excellent; local financing is available. Franklin is a fast growing city—progressive, friendly, yet sound.

For further information concerning industrial advantages and industrial sites please contact the Franklin Industrial Park Development Corporation; the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, 63 S. Water Street; or the Franklin City Administration, City Building.

## THE LABOR FORCE

In 1963 it is estimated that the employed Labor Force will be distributed as follows:

### *Employed Locally*

|                    | Men | Women |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| Skilled -----      | 146 | 95    |
| Semi-Skilled ----- | 200 | 300   |
| Unskilled -----    | 579 | 440   |
|                    | --- | ---   |
|                    | 925 | 835   |

### *Commuting to Indianapolis*

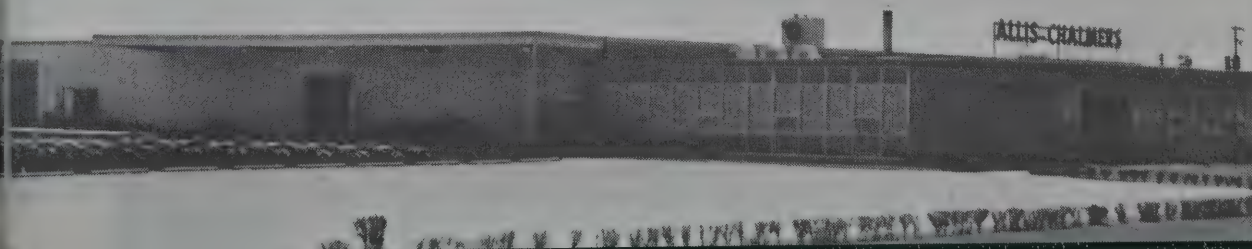
|                    | Men | Women |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| Skilled -----      | 200 | 150   |
| Semi-Skilled ----- | 100 | 100   |
| Unskilled -----    | 300 | 200   |
|                    | --- | ---   |
|                    | 600 | 450   |

It has been estimated by local businessmen that as many as 1,300 people work out of town.

According to the employment departments of three of our industries, we have the following number of people available for new industries:

|                    | Men | Women |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| In community ----- | 200 | 400   |
| (Franklin)         |     |       |
| In area -----      | 150 | 250   |
| (Johnson County)   |     |       |
| Commuters -----    | 100 | 100   |
| (Other Counties)   |     |       |

Note: The county canning companies recruit more than 500 men and women during the canning season.





### WAGE RATES

There is no detailed breakdown on wages in Franklin, but there is a very general breakdown into larger groups.

Skilled workers

\$1.80 to \$3.89 per hr.

Semi-skilled workers

\$1.50 to \$2.49 per hr.

Unskilled workers

\$1.25 to \$1.50 per hr.

### TRANSPORTATION

**Railroads:** The Pennsylvania and New York Central Railroads serve Franklin with freight service north and south, principally to Indianapolis and Louisville, and East & West through these points. Seven trains are available per day. There is no railroad passenger service from Franklin, however passenger service is available only 19 miles away in Indianapolis. Indianapolis Union Station provides passenger service to all parts of the county.

**Highways:** Franklin has three major highways. U.S. Highway 31 connects Franklin North with Indianapolis and South with Louisville. Indiana State Highways 44 and 144 extend East and West. Interstate Route 65 will connect Franklin with Indianapolis and Louisville in the near future.

**Truck Lines:** Southern Transportation Company serves Franklin directly. Through agreement, Southern Transportation provides freight service for other companies from Franklin to their terminals in Indianapolis. Kerlin's Motor Freight Terminal has a freight route from Franklin to Indianapolis and makes

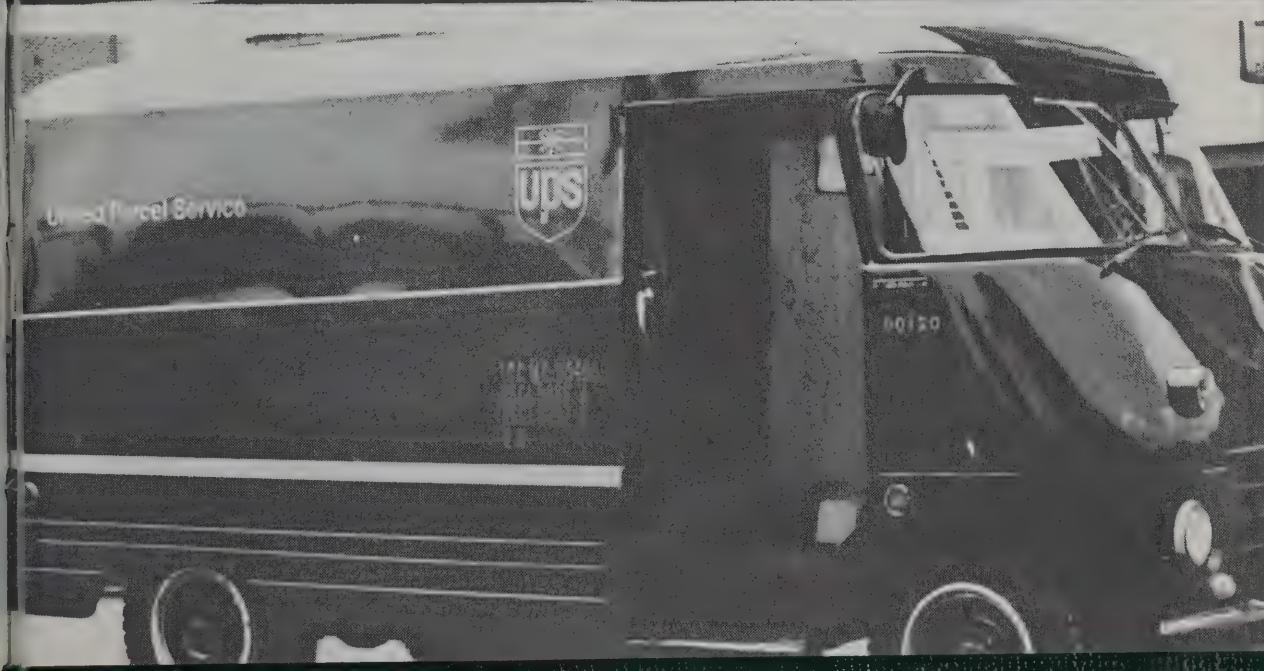
one to five trips a day for the Southern Transportation Company, Inc.

**Carrier Services:** Franklin is served by the REA Express (Railway Express Agency), United Parcel Service (UPS) and the U.S. Post Office motor carrier service. All three services have regular deliveries. In addition many stores in Indianapolis deliver merchandise to Franklin.

**Airports:** The Indianapolis Weir Cook Municipal Airport is located 25 miles from Franklin. This airport, one of the most modern in the country, provides jet air service.

Five miles South of Franklin is the Mullendore Airport. This airport is owned by Jack & Don Mullendore and has eight company owned planes on the field. The company planes include twin engine planes which seat five passengers and the pilot, and single engine planes which seat three passengers and the pilot. They fly day or night and by instruments which enables them to fly in all kinds of weather. They provide ambulance and hearse service as well as a Federal Aviation approved flight school with examining authority for school graduates and the Air Force R. O.T.C. training program for DePauw University. The airport also does other commercial flying, transporting company executives and handling rush freight.

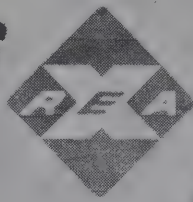
In addition to the company planes there are approximately forty-two other planes on the field. The airport has several large hangars and a repair and



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maintenance shop as well as adequate office quarters. The Civil Air Patrol meets regularly at this airport. The airport officials are planning a hard surfaced runway in the near future.

**Passenger Service:** The Union Bus Station in Franklin provides inter-city bus passenger service with Greyhound Bus Service to all parts of the country. There is White Star Bus Line service to Madison, Indiana, and return. In addition, the Suburban Bus Line operates between Franklin and Indianapolis on an hourly schedule.

### HOUSING

Franklin has adequate housing for the needs of its fast growing community.

**For Rent:** Crescent Village, in Franklin, has a group of dwellings containing thirty-six, 3-bedroom apartments; and fifty-seven, 2-bedroom apartments which rent for reasonable amounts per month. They have the normal vacancies.

In addition to these regular rental dwellings, many conventional type dwellings are located throughout the community which also are for rent. The usual turnover prevails.

**For Sale:** There are five housing developments. One north of Franklin which features low and medium income homes. One, south and one, west of Franklin, specializing in good, medium priced homes. Two, east of Franklin featuring conventional homes in the upper price brackets.

In addition to these five major housing developments, a large number of new homes are under construction in

single and small groups located throughout the county—many of them for sale.

### GOVERNMENT PLANNING COMMISSIONS

Franklin is incorporated as a fifth class city, and is the county seat. The city of Franklin and Johnson County have Plan Commissions. Both are active and very cooperative. Both city and county have zoning ordinances and building codes, with paid inspectors.

### UTILITIES

**Electricity:** Public Service Company of Indiana, Inc. provides electric service for Franklin and surrounding areas at reasonable and competitive rates. The company's total capacity is unlimited and the utility is prepared to handle unusual peak load demands. Complete electric rates may be obtained from the company's office at Franklin, Indiana, or from the general headquarter's office at Plainfield, Indiana.

**Gas:** The Indiana Gas and Water Company supplies *natural gas* from the Texas Gas Transmission Corp. to Franklin at a very economical rate. BTU content is 1,000 and gas in unlimited quantities is available. Gas is available for space heating as well as industrial operations. Further information may be obtained from the Indiana Gas and Water Company in Franklin, Indiana, or from their general office in Indianapolis, Indiana.

**Water:** The Indiana Gas and Water Company distributes water in Franklin. The water is supplied from five wells. The daily capacity of this utility is 2,-



200,000 gallons per day, and the average daily pumpage is 1,000,000 gallons. The average temperature of the water is 55.4 degrees. Elevated storage is 128,000 gallons and one reservoir contains 440,000 gallons. The water supply is adequate for expanded industry which may need water for processing purposes.

**Fuel:** Gas, oil, and coal, are used as industrial fuels in this area, and are available in quantity for industrial expansion. Gas is delivered by pipe line, oil by tank cars, and coal by rail cars.

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#### **SANITATION SERVICES**

Franklin has sanitary sewers and storm sewers. Franklin also has a sewage treatment plant which handles a maximum of 3,000,000 gallons per day. Reasonable charges are made for the use of the sewage system. Trash and garbage collections are made without charge by the city and this refuse is disposed of by a sanitary fill treatment plan.

#### **HEALTH FACILITIES**

The 128-bed Johnson County Memorial Hospital is located in Franklin. The hospital staff includes 32 doctors, 78 registered nurses and 95 nurses aids and orderlies.

The county maintains a full-time Health Department with a doctor-in-charge, nurses who supervise the school health program, and a county sanitary inspector.

#### **MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

**Police Protection:** The Franklin Police Department consists of nine police officers and two police radio operators. The department operates two radio equipped patrol cars.

The Sheriff's Department consists of three men with two radio equipped patrol cars. Five uniformed Indiana State Police troopers and one Indiana State police detective with radio equipped cars are assigned to the area. Local police actions of the city, county and the state are co-ordinated through radio communication.

**Fire Protection:** The City Fire Depart-



**Johnson County REMC**



**United Telephone Company of Indiana**



**Franklin Public Library**

ment has eleven full time firemen. The department's fire fighting equipment consists of a new 1,000 GPM pumper truck with 228 feet of ladders; a 600 GPM pumper truck; a 500 GPM pumper and ladder truck and a 500 GPM tank pumper truck available for use in the township. All trucks are radio equipped.

### EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Franklin offers a good public school system. In 1961, the Franklin Community High School costing 3 million dollars was added to the school system. There are no parochial schools at present, but one is being planned which will accommodate students from the first to the sixth grade.

| School         | No. | Enmt. | Tchs. |
|----------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Elementary     | 3   | 1,256 | 44    |
| Jr. High (7-8) | 1   | 393   | 21    |
| High School    | 1   | 950   | 34    |
| College        | 1   | 650   | 54    |

### LIBRARIES

Franklin maintains a public library consisting of 26,319 volumes. The Franklin College library contains 50,000 volumes. The city library is in the process of building an addition to its present structure; Franklin College has under construction a \$1 million library facility which will be called the B. F. Hamilton Memorial Library in honor of the late B. F. Hamilton of Columbus.

### RECREATION FACILITIES

Franklin has a public community center at the City Building located on South Main Street. The city also maintains two city parks—Palmer Park and Province Park. Palmer Park, the smaller of the two, has a brick building for indoor activities and a playground with swings, merry-go-round, slides, teeter-totters, tennis and shuffle board as well as picnic area.

Province Park has 21 acres and is located in the South-east section of the city. It has for the recreational activities and enjoyment of the people 200 picnic tables, 15 cook-out areas, 2 sets of swings for the larger children, 2 slides, 2 sets of buckets, merry-go-round, sand box and two sets of teeter-totters. It also has 2 sets of horseshoe pitching areas and two shuffleboards.

Within the park is the municipal

swimming pool—measuring 150 x 50 feet and running in depth from 2 to 10 feet. The pool holds 460,000 gal. of water which is completely circulated every 24 hours as well as being chemically treated. The pool, built in 1927, cost approximately \$25,000. In 1957 the pool was completely refinished inside, a filtering system installed as well as a large cement deck completely around the pool at a cost of approximately \$42,000. There are bath houses where swimmers change their clothing and shower. The pool opens May 30th and closes Labor Day.

During the winter months the high school pool is available for swimming classes as well as open swimming or "come-and-swim."

The municipal swimming pool has trained life guards on duty at all times and is open from 1:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. everyday except Saturday. On Saturday the pool is open from 1:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The American Red Cross gives swimming instructions to approximately 700 students a season. It is estimated that 200,000 people enjoy the facilities at Province Park each season and that 60,000 use the park on week-ends each month.

Other recreational facilities available in the city include amateur basketball, weight and figure control classes for women during the winter, outside ice skating rink, volley ball leagues in Winter (mostly for adults) and soft-ball leagues.

The Boys Club is open Wednesday nights for adults who may participate in shop, pool, ping pong, weight lifting, basketball and use the shooting range. The Boys Club is open days and most evenings for boys between the ages of 6 years and 19. The Boys Club also holds dances at the City Building.

The Girls Club has recreational activities planned throughout the year for the girls.

It is estimated that 3,500 to 4,000 participate in the recreational programs and use the facilities in Franklin each season. This, of course, excludes those using the park facilities.

There are four full time park em-

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**Southside Elementary School**



**Northwood Elementary School**





**Franklin Community High School**



## Industrial Info, Continued

ployees and three employees in the recreational department.

In the major sports Franklin has baseball, football, tennis, swimming, bowling, golf and track.

Located just outside the city is the Hillview Country Club which is described later.

The Hi-Way Lanes, located on U.S. 31, furnishes bowling facilities for the people of Franklin. This is a beautiful structure which features 20 bowling alleys for league bowling and open bowling. The building is air-conditioned, making it a pleasure to use the facilities year around. Soft drinks are available as well as lockers where players may store bowling equipment. All equipment is new, modern, and automatic. This is truly one of Franklin's most enjoyable recreational spots.

All schools in Franklin have athletic programs which include many of the recreational activities.

Within comfortable driving distance South-west from Franklin is the famed Brown County State Park. There are more than 15,000 acres of wooded hills and valleys and 30 acres of artificial lakes in the park. There are 9 miles of

hiking trails and 100 miles of horseback riding trails. In the park is the Abe Martin Lodge which serves delicious dinners. The park has a large archery range, fishing, swimming pool, hiking, horseshoe games, riding, campgrounds and many other facilities.

The Monroe Reservoir, a flood control lake, will be an attraction for all types of water sports, camping, picnics and entertainment. There are five other lakes surrounding the county, in addition to many stocked ponds which provide amply for the boating and fishing sportsman.

### AGRICULTURAL BELT

Franklin is located in the heart of one of America's most fertile agricultural areas. No finer tomatoes are grown anywhere in the country. The Morgan Packing Company handles a great share of them during the packing season. The first national and international corn king came from Johnson County. Other products that contribute to the economy and economic welfare of Johnson County and Franklin are wheat, corn, oats, rye, and soy beans.

### HILLVIEW COUNTRY CLUB

The Country Club is located one mile East of Franklin on highway 44. It occupies a 137-year-old historic home. In 1826 Louis Hendricks built the large home for he and his wife. It is located on top of a small hill that affords a good view for some distance in all directions. The Club was originally called the Johnson County Golf & Country Club which was organized thirty-five years ago. The club house is built around a nine hole golf course. Recently the Club built a beautiful swimming pool that is utilized to its fullest extent. For many years Franklin's social calendar has centered at the Country Club where recreation and sociability can be found the year around. Facilities available include reservations for private parties, dinners and luncheons.

### JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS

June 24, 1952, the Johnson County Board of Realtors was organized. This group exerts quite an influence on the business and welfare of the community. A strict code of ethics and business and professional standards as enforced by







**Boys' Club**

the National Association of Real Estate Boards governs the actions of the Board.

#### **YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS**

Youth organizations in Franklin include the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H Clubs, Boys Club and Girls Club.

#### **THEATRES**

Franklin has two motion picture theatres, one closed. The theatre in continuous operation is the Artcraft Theatre on North Main Street and is owned by the Syndicate Theatres, Inc. This theatre is modern, air-conditioned and is well attended.

#### **CHURCHES**

Fifteen churches in Franklin and forty-two churches throughout Johnson County represent most of the major religious denominations, including Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Christian, Catholic, Episcopal, Christian Science, A.M.E., Church of the Nazarene, Church of Christ, Church of God, Pilgrim Holiness, Southern Baptist, Assembly of God First Parsonage, and First Mt. Pleasant Church.

Many of these have beautiful churches in Franklin in which to worship and add considerably to the dignity and beauty of the city.

#### **BANKING FACILITIES**

Franklin's three banks and two savings and loan associations provide the city with ample financial facilities. The

#### **Girl's Club**



following is a list of each bank's and each association's total assets (as of Dec. 31, 1962 and Nov. 30, 1962 respectively):

| <i>Bank</i>                                   | <i>Assets</i>  |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Farmers Trust Company                         | \$7,478,954.98 |
| Johnson County National                       | 4,475,851.39   |
| <i>Bank</i>                                   |                |
| Union Bank & Trust Co.                        | 8,328,414.75   |
| <i>Savings &amp; Loan Associations Assets</i> |                |
| First Federal                                 | \$6,126,434.71 |
| Mutual Building & Loan                        | 6,869,992.77   |
| <i>TAXES</i>                                  |                |

The following tax breakdown indicates the amount of property taxes payable on each \$100 of assessed valuation in Franklin and Franklin Township for 1963.

|                  | <i>City of<br/>Franklin</i> | <i>Franklin<br/>Township</i> |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| State Rate       | \$ .01                      | \$ .01                       |
| County Rate      | 1.39                        | 1.39                         |
| Twp. Rate        | .12                         | .26                          |
| School &         |                             |                              |
| Library Rate     | 3.20                        | 3.20                         |
| Corporation Rate | 2.56                        | -                            |
| TOTAL            | \$7.28                      | \$4.86                       |
| Poll Tax         | \$3.20                      | \$2.70                       |

Property is assessed at approximately 1/3 of its actual cash value.

Indiana has a 2% sales tax, payable on retail merchandise.

#### UNIONS REPRESENTED

Employees of Arvin Industries, Inc. and Dage Electric Company are represented by labor unions.

Arvin employees are affiliated with the Industrial Department of the Carpenter's Union.

The Franklin area enjoys stable employment with no appreciable peaks or declines.



#### EXISTING INDUSTRIES

| <i>Company Name</i>                       | <i>Product</i>                       | <i>Employees</i> | <i>Union</i> |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Arvin Industries, Inc.                    | Auto accessories                     | 600              | Yes          |
| Arvin After-Market-Distribution Warehouse | Auto exhaust equipment               | 45               | Yes          |
| Dage Electric Company, Inc.               | Component parts for electric panels  | 190              | Yes          |
| Varynit Mills                             | Ladies garments                      | 180              | No           |
| Tranter Industries, Inc.                  | Wood products                        | 40               | No           |
| Allis-Chalmers-Distribution Warehouse     | Farm Machinery                       | 46               | No           |
| *Morgan Canning Co.                       | Canning tomatoes, corn, pumpkin etc. | 300              | No           |

\*Seasonal work (2 months)





Some business and industry in Franklin



# Johnson County Chapter American Red Cross

The Johnson County Chapter of the Red Cross maintains an office in the City Building and employs an Executive Secretary. The secretary is on duty at the office half-time and the remainder of the time handles Red Cross work from her home, being on duty 24 hours a day.

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Cross is its service to the man in the armed forces, his family and anything that pertains to his welfare. During the past year the Red Cross has made contacts with 119 servicemen and their families through this chapter. These contacts include telegrams, telephone calls, consultations with their physicians, visits to their homes and office calls. Thirty civilians have been assisted by helping them write letters in connection with the service, counseling with them concerning their problems, and helping them obtain employment. This number includes veterans.

The Red Cross has always been very active in Life Saving and Water Safety and is the recognized authority in this field. This past year 524 certificates were issued to persons taking Red Cross swimming lessons at the Franklin Swimming Pool, the Hillview Country Club Pool, and the Franklin Community High School Pool. An instructor's course was given this year. Nine persons took the course and are now teaching. Under the Red Cross First Aid program, 148 certificates were issued by the chapter to persons who had completed the course. The Red Cross Textbook is used in all schools.

The Red Cross is always present in case of national, state or local disasters. Disasters do not have to be confined to public disasters but apply to the individual family as well. During the year, this chapter helped five families whose homes were destroyed by fire. In each case clothing and furniture were provided for the families. In the March flood at Edinburg, a trained disaster worker from the area was placed in charge of the operation. Twenty-one families were rehabilitated.

The Johnson County Chapter of the American Red Cross is very active and is always ready to aid those in distress. It is a well organized chapter.

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## Service and Social Clubs

Franklin has a large number of service and social clubs which work for the betterment of the community.

Men's service clubs which have organizations in the city include: Lions; Rotary; Kiwanis; Elks lodge; and Junior Chamber of Commerce.

There are also the Masonic bodies and DeMolay chapter, and the patriotic groups—American Legion, V.F.W. and Barracks of Veterans of World War I and their auxiliaries. The Johnson County Conservation club is located south of the city.

Parent-teacher groups have been organized at all local schools.

Numerous women's groups carry out their programs in the community. Among them are the following:

Beta Tau Sigma; B.P.W.; Charlotte Emerson; Child Study Club; Delta Kappa Gamma; Delta Theta Tau; Epsilon Sigma Alpha; Hospital Guild; Tri Kappa and Tri Kappa Associates; Kappa Kappa Sigma; Matinee Musicale; Newcomers club; Order of Eastern Star; Job's Daughters; P.E.O. Sisterhood; Psi Iota Xi and Psi Iota Xi Honorary; Rebekah lodge; Registered Nurses' club; W.C.T.U.; Women's Study club; the Women's Symphony Unit; and Faculty Women's club.

College alumnae groups include: A. A.U.W.; Delta Delta Delta; Delta Zeta; Pi Beta Phi; Zeta Tau Alpha and Z.T.A. Patronesses; and Zeta Psi.

Women's patriotic groups, in addition to those mentioned above, are: D.

A.R.; Daughters of the Union; and Franklin War Mothers.

The Democratic Women's club and the Republican Women's club are active here.

In the field of sports are the Franklin Dad's Club and the Hawkeye Bowmen.

Home Demonstration and Handicraft clubs are active and there are other groups organized on a neighborhood basis for purely social affairs.

A Senior Citizens club has been organized and meets at the Girl's Club, and a Mothers of Twins club also has been active in this area.

Alumni groups which support Franklin College, Indiana University, Purdue University and other colleges and universities have been formed in this area.

In addition, there are adult groups which carry on the work of the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl's Club, Boy's Club, Little League; and Bantam League football.

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The REMC serves 3100 members in rural Johnson, Shelby, and Morgan counties. These members consist of farms, non-farms, businesses, schools, and churches located in rural areas. The REMC has a total of 465 miles of line reaching into all parts of Johnson County. Power is available in the form of single phase-7200 volts-60 cycle in all of the service area.

Three phase power is available in a large portion of the serving area at 7200/12470 volts-60 cycle.

The REMC is served by the Public

Service Company of Indiana at five metering points located at Franklin, Amity, Trafalgar, Stones Crossing, and Greenwood, with a total capacity of 6200 KW. An engineering study is now being made to increase the system capacity to take care of the anticipated future 10-year growth of the Johnson County REMC.

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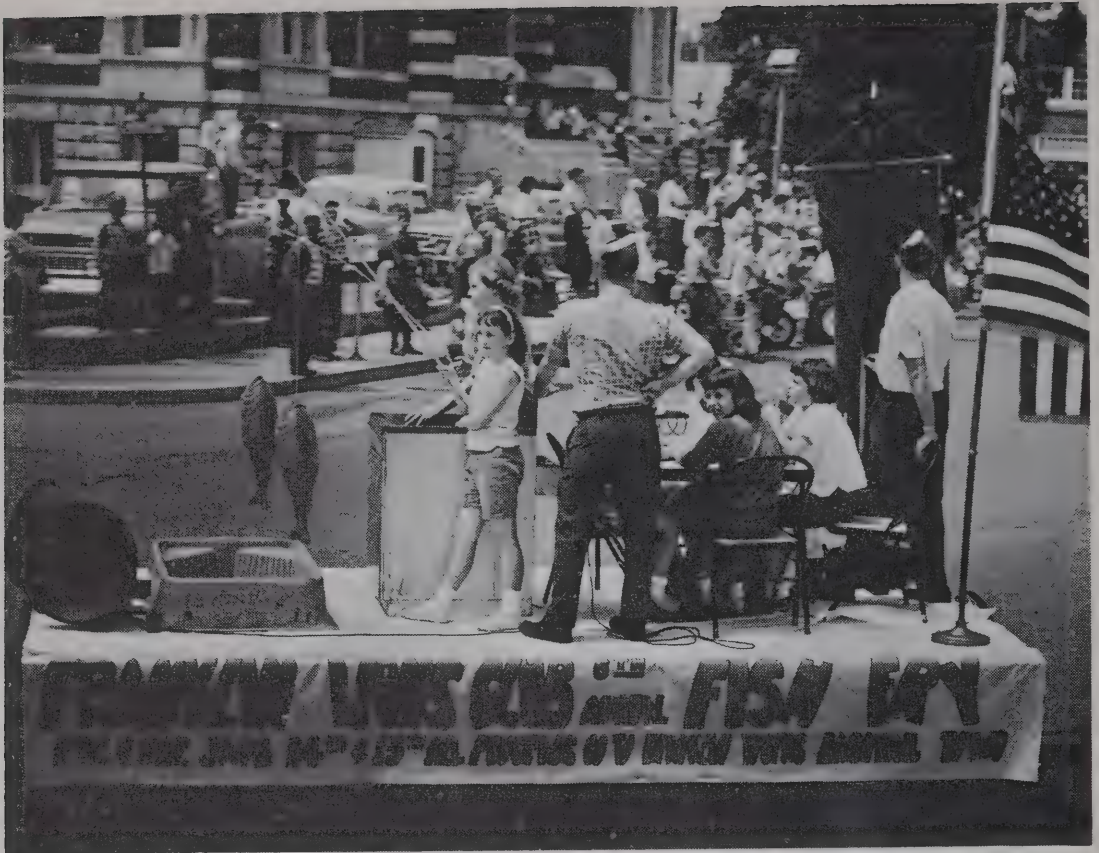
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## Junior Chamber of Commerce

The Franklin Junior Chamber of Commerce was chartered in October, 1946, with James Acher, Sr., being the first President. Since the organization was founded it has played an important role in the development and prosperity of our community.

Jaycees are young men paying the obligation that every citizen has to the community in which he lives in the most pleasant way . . . through civic service in cooperation with others . . . building for themselves and our community a life instead of a living. This is an organization specifically designed to meet a young man's need and those of an active growing community. Only in the Junior Chamber of Commerce is it possible for a young man to assume leadership in community betterment at an age when such leadership would be denied if competing for office with older and more experienced men. These young men are working together in a friendly spirit to inculcate civic consciousness in its membership by means of active participation in constructive projects which will improve community, state, and nation.

Leadership training is a valuable asset of a Junior Chamber member. Through first hand work on constructive projects and active parts in Junior Chamber affairs, a sense of responsibility may be developed which an individual must attain if success in business or life is to be gained.

Down through the years emphasis has been placed on youth in an effort to control delinquency and help give children a solid foundation for development into good civic-minded individuals. Junior Chamber of Commerce members promote and sponsor many sports activities and provide guidance in wholesome activities.

An auxiliary organization consisting of Jaycee wives is also active in our community. In this way the female counterpart may also take an active interest in community affairs and are a great benefit to civic improvement.

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# Facts and Figures at a Glance

**City**—Franklin, Indiana

**Location**—South central Indiana—20 miles South of Indianapolis and 20 miles North of Columbus—On U. S. highway 31, 90th. meridian; latitude 39 degrees, 29 minutes; longitude 86 degrees, 3 minutes.

**County**—Johnson County—Franklin is the County Seat

**Population**—(City) 9,453 (1960 census); estimated 1963 population 10,300; projected 1975 estimate 25,000. (Johnson County) 43,704 (1960 census); estimated 1963 population 50,000; projected 1975 estimate 100,000. Johnson County, fastest growing county in the state.

**Square Miles**—City—4; County—315.

**Altitude**—736 feet above sea level.

**City Classification**—Franklin is classified as a fifth (5th) class city—according to its population.

**City Government**—Mayor-City Council type of government. The Mayor, Clerk-Treasurer and (5) City Council Members are elected city officials. (See article on city government)

**Streets**—62 miles of paved streets

**Sewers**—600 miles of sanitary and storm sewers

**Street Lighting**—Power furnished by Public Service Company of Indiana, Inc. Boulevard and overhead fluorescent lighting used. P.S.C.I. owns and maintains overhead fluorescent lighting equipment.

**Climate**—Means as follows: Temperature 52.5 degrees; Rainfall 39.6 inches; Snowfall 20.89 inches with average depth of snowfall 1.75 inches; Humidity 73%; Prevailing winds—Southwest; number of clear days 103 (sun shines all day), partly cloudy days 125, cloudy days 138.

**Characteristics of the Area**—Gently rolling, wooded, suburban, farmland, streams and lakes.

**City's Total Bonded Indebtedness**—Sewage bonds—\$740,000; Municipal bonds—\$85,000

**Taxes**—(City) \$8.08 on each \$100 of assessed valuation; (Franklin Township) \$4.58. (1962, payable in 1963)

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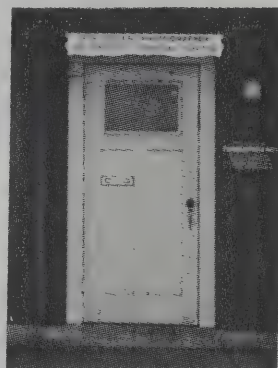
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*Gas & Water*—Provided by the Indiana Gas & Water Company, Inc. Franklin is serviced with natural gas. Water is supplied from deep wells.

*Number of Electric Meters in City*—Approximately 3,500

*Number of Gas & Water Meters in City*—Gas—2,778; Water—2,910

*Number of Households*—(City) Approximately 2,500

*Races*—White—95%; Negro—5%

*Nationalities*—Predominantly Scotch, Irish & Dutch

*City Slogan*—“FRANKLIN CITY OF CULTURE AND PROGRESS”—Adopted July 15, 1963

*Highways*—U.S. highway 31 goes North to Indianapolis and beyond and South

to Louisville, Ky. State highways 44 and 144 go East and West.

*Railroads*—New York Central and the Pennsylvania Railroad furnish freight service to Franklin. No rail passenger service to or from the city.

*Truck Lines*—Southern Transportation Company, Inc. & Commercial Motor Freight.

*Carrier Service*—REA Express (Railway Express Agency); United Parcel Service (UPS); U.S. Mail Motor Delivery; Many stores in Indianapolis deliver merchandise to Franklin.

*Transportation*—(Passenger Service) Greyhound Bus service to all parts of the country; White Star Bus Line Service to Madison, Indiana; Suburban Bus Line operated between Indianapolis and Franklin on hourly basis; Mullendore Airport (local).

*Airports*—The Indianapolis Weir Cook Municipal Airport—25 miles from Franklin—all types of service including jet. Mullendore Airport—5 miles South of Franklin—passenger and freight serv-

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*Local Passenger Service*—Taxi—Radio Cab

*Births & Deaths*—(Johnson County including City)

|                                | 1st. 7<br>Months |      |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------|
|                                | 1962             | 1963 |
| Births -----                   | 1,127            | 639  |
| Deaths -----                   | 419              | 289  |
| Assessed Valuation—1962 (City) | \$11,-           |      |
|                                | 208,170.00       |      |

*Building Permits*—New structures only: 1960—150; 1961—119; 1962—128; to July 1, 1963—67

*Cities & Towns in Johnson County*—Bargersville (586); Edinburg (3,664); Franklin—County Seat (9,453); Greenwood (7,169); New Whiteland (3,488); Princes Lake (374); Trafalgar (459); Whiteland (1,368)—(1960 Census)

*Telephone Service*—Telephone service is furnished in the city and area by the United Telephone Company of Indiana, Inc. As of June 30, 1963, there were

5,030 telephones in the city of Franklin and an additional 4,278 in the county. *U.S. Postal Service*—Two incoming and two outgoing mails daily; one business delivery daily including Saturday; one residential delivery daily including Saturday. Parcel Post Window open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Money Order Window open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Front door is open for depositing and picking up P.O. Box mail from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

*Sewage Disposal Plant*—City owned. Trickling filter with high rate recirculation, maximum flow 3 million gallons per day, 2 digesters with 58,900 cubic feet volume, B.O.D. capacity of trickling filters is 5,260 pounds per day.

*Trash—Garbage Collection & Disposal*—Collections made without charge by the city. Disposed of by sanitary fill treatment plan. City owns 3 garbage trucks and 1 truck for collecting trash. Trash disposed of at city dump—burned. There are 13 employees in the department.

*Public Safety*—9 full time police officers; 2 radio patrol cruisers; 11 full time firemen; 4 fire trucks—2 with ladders and all radio equipped. City-County Health Department with a full time Inspector—nurses and Health Doctor. Sheriff Department and State Police aid in law enforcement.

*Coroner*—(1) Officiates in city as well as county. (elected)

*Dog Warden*—(1) City-County. (appointed)

*Housing*—There are not many houses or apartments for rent in Franklin.

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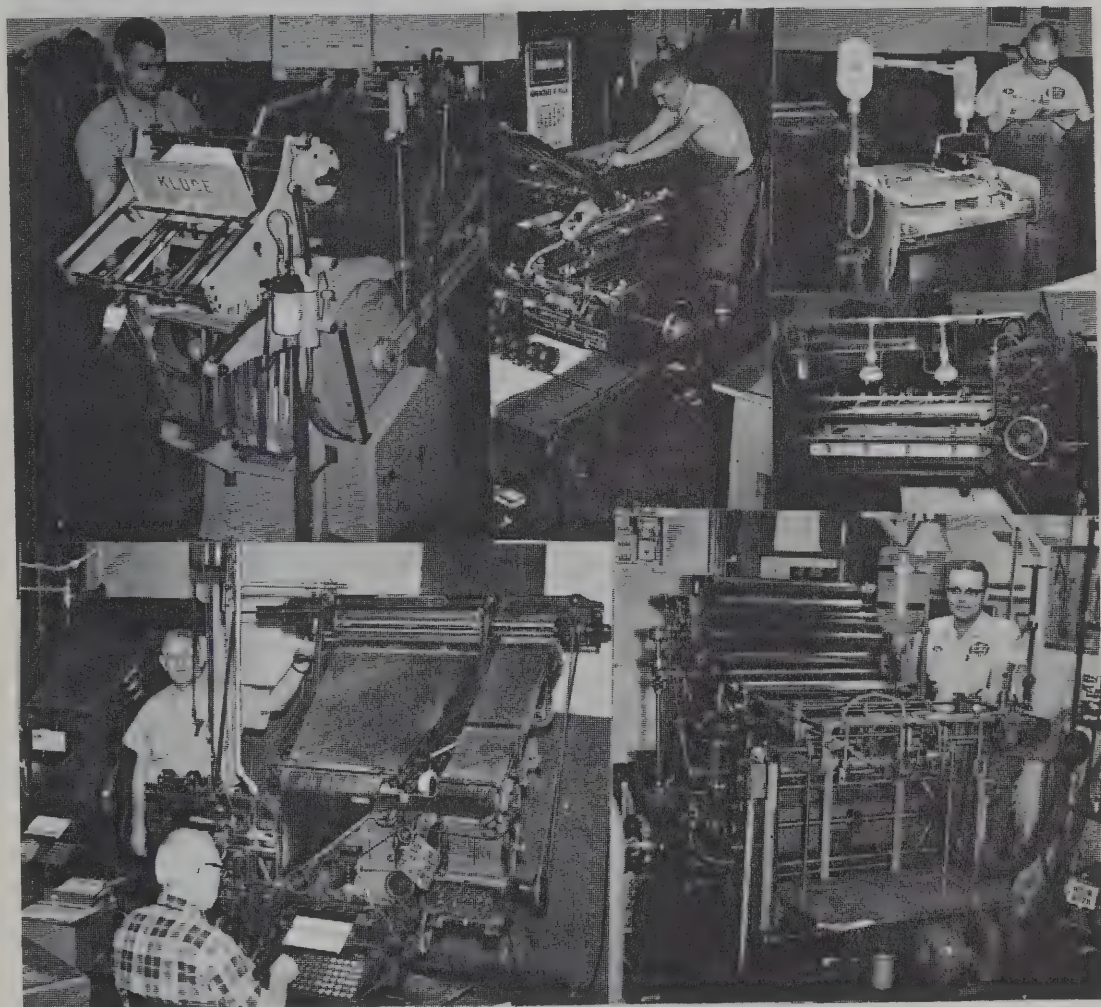
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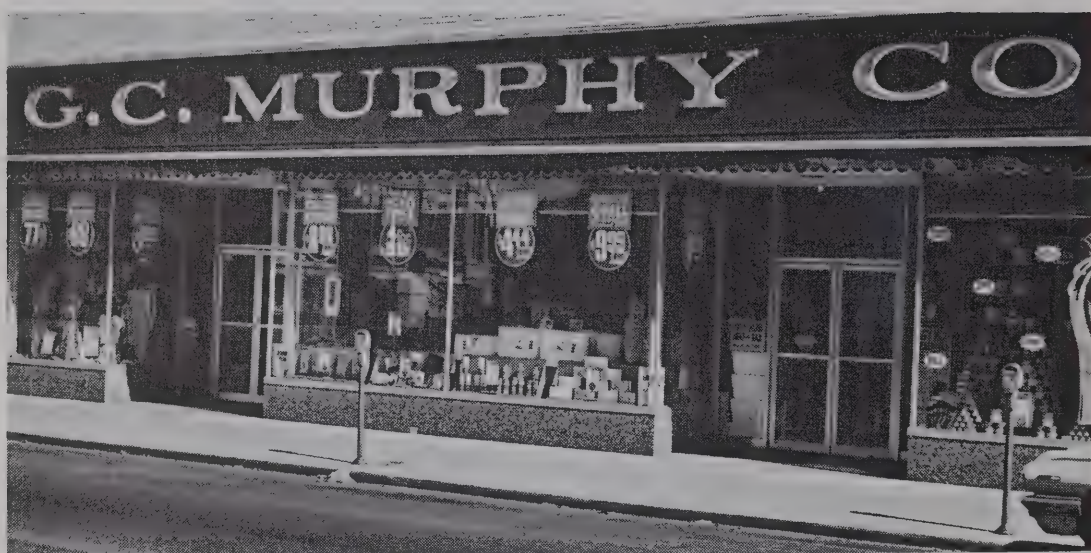
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**City Revenue**—The city receives its revenue from the following main sources; Property taxes, Park Fees, Gasoline Tax and Liquor Taxes.

**Number of Parking Meters**—330

**Revenue from Parking Meters**—(1962) \$19,091.77. This revenue is a separate fund used for meter maids, repairs, replacements, painting, etc.

**County Government**—(See article on County Government)

**Newspapers**—(2) *Daily Papers*—The Franklin Evening Star—has celebrated its 78th birthday; The Daily Journal, the first off-set newspaper to be built from the ground up in the United States. Started publication July 22, 1963.

**Radio Stations**—(2) W.I.F.N.-FM—the first commercial radio station in Franklin and Johnson County. Started Dec. 15, 1961—95.9 MC. The Franklin College educational broadcasting station W.F.C.I.-FM operates on 89.3 MC

**Agriculture**—Heart of one of America's most fertile agriculture areas. Products—tomatoes, wheat, corn, oats, rye and soy beans predominate.

**Farming**—Livestock such as cattle and hogs, as well as the agricultural products add greatly to the economy of the area.

**Hospitals**—(2) Johnson County Memorial Hospital (general hospital for public use); 128 beds, 32 doctors on the staff, 78 registered nurses (RN) and 95 nurses aids and orderlies. The Indi-

ana Masonic Home Hospital (for use of the Home Residents); 250 beds, 9 Registered Nurses (RN), 5 licensed Practical Nurses (PN), 114 Nurses Aids and orderlies.

**Civilian Defense**—Johnson County Civilian Defense unit maintains an active status in all phases of Civilian Defense preparedness. To reach Civilian Defense by phone call FRANKLIN 736-5225 or FRANKLIN 736-9222

**Schools**—(6 in city) 3 Elementary, 1

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**School Term**—Usually begins in September and ends in May. Children must be 5 years of age prior to September to enter kindergarten, or 6 years of age prior to September to enter the first grade.

**Vaccinations**—Students are required to be vaccinated for Small Pox, Diphtheria and Polio.

**Johnson County School Superintendents**—There are 5 school superintendents in Johnson County. They are: The Johnson County School Superintendent, Franklin Community Schools, Center Grove Community Schools, Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United Schools, Greenwood City Schools Superintendents.

**Number of Teachers**—There are approximately 500 Public School Teachers in Johnson County.

**Franklin College**—Nationally accredited co-educational liberal arts College, voluntarily affiliated with the American Baptist Convention; 650 enrollment; progressive college with large expansion program.

**TV Channels**—Best TV Channels received in Franklin and area are: WTTV-TV (4); WFBM-TV (6); WISH-TV (8); WLWI-TV (13)

**Institutions**—The Methodist Home for the Aged, located on 40 acre site, total assets \$2,598,767. Large expansion program in progress. The Indiana Masonic Home, comprised of many buildings, is located on several acres of beautifully landscaped grounds; a new hospital for the Home residents; a large printing plant, gift and lodge supply headquarters. The Franklin Memorial Hospital, 128 bed, serves Franklin and Johnson County as well as surrounding area. (See articles on institutions)

**Service & Social Clubs**—Rotary Club—Wednesday noon; Kiwanis Club—Tuesday evening; Lions Club—2nd & 4th Monday evenings; Business & Professional Women—1st Tuesday evening; Jaycees—1st Tuesday & 3rd Wednesday.

**Johnson County Government**—(See article on County Government)

**Fraternal Organizations**—Masonic Orders, DeMolay, Job's Daughters, Eastern Star, Rebeccas, B.P.O. Elks, V.F.W., American Legion

**Chamber of Commerce**—Offices located at 63 S. Water Street, Franklin, Indiana. Full time Executive Vice-President & Secretary, Member of Indiana State Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Effectively promotes commercial activities and engages fully in all other phases of community life. Franklin Chamber traced back to approximately 1922. Incorporated March 1, 1949.

**Jr. Chamber of Commerce**—Very active in the promotion of worthwhile community projects. A strong and progressive organization with good sound leadership.

**Libraries**—(2) Franklin Carnegie Library—27,000 volumes. An addition costing approximately \$122,000 is under construction. Library will house 52,000 volumes when completed. Has 3 full time librarians and 1 janitor. The Franklin College Library—50,000 volumes—has a new library building under construction which will accommodate a student body of 1,000.

**Johnson County United Fund**—The Johnson County United Fund Drive which starts approximately the first of September each year is one of the most important drives held in the city-county area. The United Fund has a goal of approximately \$50,000. There are nine (9) organizations that share in the funds, they are of vital importance to the welfare of our community life. Those organizations sharing in the fund are; Mental Health Association of Franklin, Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, U.S.O., The Salvation Army. The American Red Cross, Cerebral Palsy, Y.M.C.A. There is also a fund set aside to meet an emergency that might arise with any of the United Fund Agencies.

**Country Club**—The Hillview Country Club is located 1 mile East of the city. It has a 9 hole golf course and a beautiful new swimming pool as well as all other club facilities. It is one of the social centers and operates on a year around basis.

**Real Estate**—Johnson - South Morgan County Board of Realtors.

**Music**—Active music program in our schools as well as the Johnson County Civic Music Organization.

*Recreational Facilities*—Public parks, public swimming pools, playground, baseball park, volleyball, basketball, bowling, golf, horseshoes, swings, merry-go-round, slides, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, school sports, archery, fishing, hunting, ice skating.

*Amusements*—Artercraft Theatre in downtown area and 2 drive-in theatres within a ten mile radius; one bowling establishment—Hi-Way Lanes located on U.S. 31; also 4th of July fireworks display at the Indiana Masonic Home.

*Public Swimming Pool*—Located in Province Park. Opens May 30th, usually closes Labor Day. 1962 attendance 22,000. As of July 31, 1963 pool receipts totaled \$7,691.55. Pool has life guards, bath-house and showers.

*American Red Cross*—The Johnson County Chapter of the American Red Cross maintains an office in Franklin. The chapter is very active and maintains an Executive-Secretary on half-time basis.

*Museum*—Johnson County Historical Museum located in Franklin. Recently redecorated and rooms on upper floor

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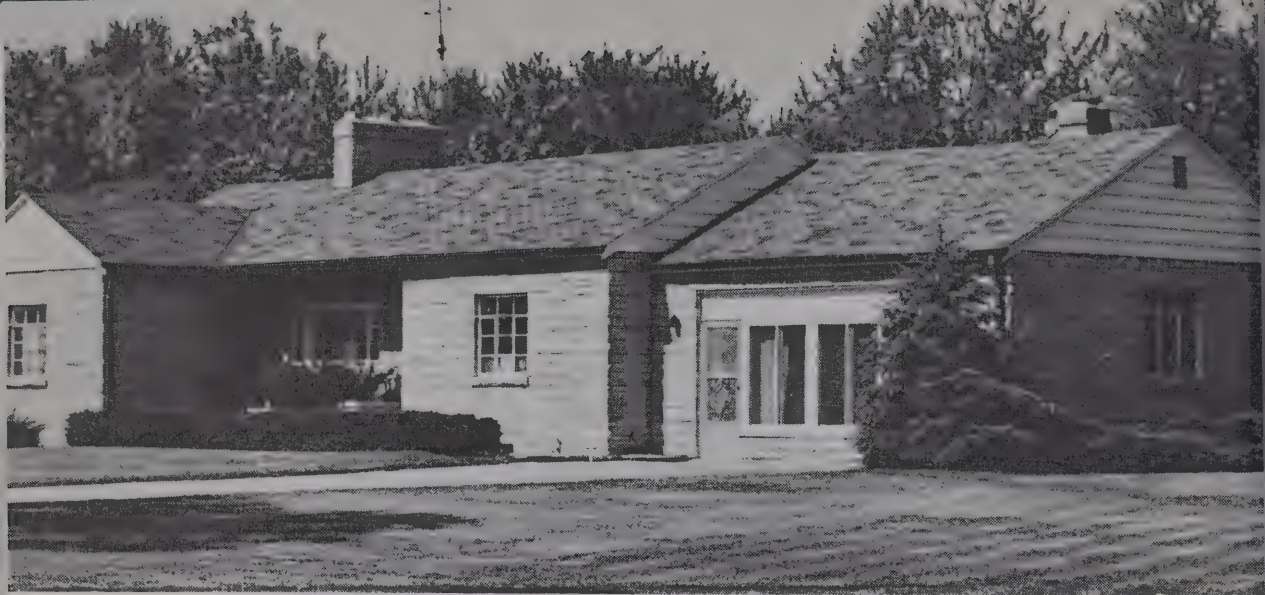
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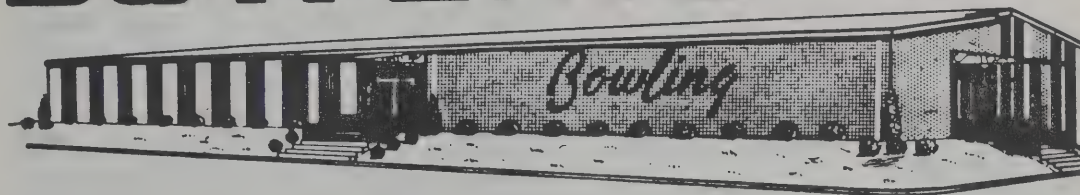
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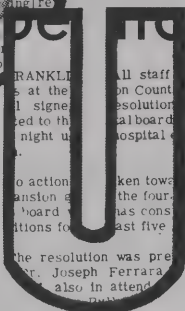
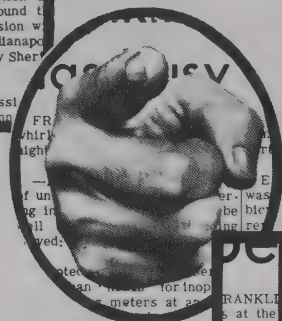
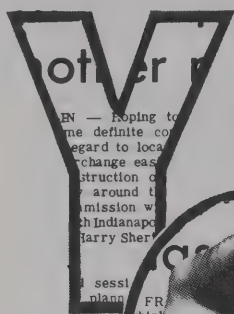
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**Outstanding Buildings**—Indiana State Masonic Home; Methodist Home for the Aged; Johnson County Memorial Hospital; Franklin College; Masonic Temple; Franklin Community High School.

**Camp Atterbury**—Located seven miles South of Franklin with large portion of the camp located in Johnson County (inactivated, except for Reserve activities).

**4-H Agricultural Fair**—Held yearly at the fairgrounds on the West side of U. S. 31 is one of the largest attractions in this area. Many displays, a lot of entertainment and fun. Usually held last part of July and first part of Aug.

**4-H Recognition Dinner**—Held in October in recognition of outstanding work by 4-H leaders and workers.

**Patriotic Organizations**—Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Spanish American War Veterans, Alexander Hamilton Chapter D.A.R., World War I Veterans.

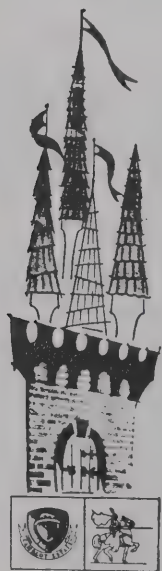
**Industries**—The industries in Franklin are as follows—Arvin Industries, Inc.; Varynit Mills, Inc.; Tranter Industries, Inc.; Dage Electric Co., Inc.; Morgan Packing Company; Allis-Chalmers Company, Inc.; Graham Manufacturing Company.

**Johnson County Co-Op**—An organization that serves the farmers as well as the public in general throughout the area. The Farm Bureau Co-Op has complete locker service, building materials, fencing materials, farm supplies, oil, gasoline, lubricants, fuel oil, etc.

**Hotels**—(2) The Madison Hotel—10 rooms; The Willard Hotel—29 rooms. Both hotels are located in the downtown area. Rates are very reasonable; TV available in most rooms.

**Motels**—(6) Within a 5 mile radius of the city. To the South there are four—

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*Justice of the Peace*—(2) elected, in the city.

*Judges*—(4) Judge of the Superior Court (City Court); Judge of the Circuit Court (Johnson & Brown County Circuit); (2) Justice of the Peace Courts. *Codes*—United States Mail Zip Code for this area—46131. Telephone service Area Code for this locality—317.

*Churches*—(15) Protestants—13; Catholic—1; Christian Science—1.

*Franklin's Sister City*—Kuji, Japan. Acts by the respective City Councils in Kuji and Franklin brought about the actual, official, Sister City relationship. The Mayors have exchanged gifts and the Mayor of Kuji, Gyoburn Yamauchi, visited Franklin in 1963.

*Western Union Telegraph*—Office located at 63 S. Water Street. Messages handled through this office total 6,000 per year (actual revenue messages); it also handles many office and non-revenue messages. The Chamber of Commerce has the local franchise. The office is open 6 days a week.

*Franklin Industrial Park*—Franklin is very fortunate in having many, exceptionally fine, industrial sites. The Franklin Industrial Park Development Corp. has purchased and developed these sites, keeping in mind, the industrial requirements as to utilities, railroads and highway transportation.

This publication emphasizes the many advantages businesses and industry will find in Franklin. Much of the material used in the publication was obtained from the Industrial Park Development Corp.

Industry and businesses seeking relocation or new sites will do well to consider Franklin and all the beneficial attributes available in this beautiful locality. Community attitude is excellent and welcomes industry and businesses.

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*Banks*—(3) Union Bank & Trust Company; Johnson County National Bank; Farmers Trust Company

*Savings & Loan Associations*—(2) First Federal Savings & Loan Association; Mutual Building & Loan Association

*Land Bank*—(1) Federal Land Bank Association of Franklin

*Franklin Branch State License Bureau*—(1962) Passenger car license plates—8,545; (1962) Truck License plates—1,838; (1962) Operators' & Chauffeurs licenses—7,747

*Emergency Telephone Numbers*—FRANKLIN: Fire Department—736-5211; Police Department—736-5225; Civilian Defense—736-5225 or 736-9222; Sheriff Department—736-5321; Hospital—736-6111; State Police—Dial "O", ask for State Police

*Retail & Service Businesses*—65 retail businesses and 35 service businesses within the city

*Retail Sales*—(1961) \$16,758,000; (1962) estimate \$18-20 million

*Chain Stores*—(9) Includes all businesses with more than one (1) location

*Retail Merchants*—Hold regular business meetings every other week

*Retail Promotions*—Washington's Birthday; (2) Dollar Days; Big "500" Power Mower Race; Big "500" Sales Specials; Little "500" Festival Parade; Crazy Days; Old Fashion Bargain Days; Christmas Sales & Promotion

*State Fair Band Contest*—This contest held at the State Fair Grounds at Indianapolis had 97 bands entered in competition. There were more than 7,000 high school musicians participating. The Franklin Community High School Band ended in a three-way tie for twentieth place, which makes our band one of the highest ranking bands in the state. The Franklin band consists of more than 90 members.

*New Car Dealers*—(6) Alexander Chevrolet, Inc. (Chevrolet); Woods Buick-Pontiac, Inc. (Buick & Pontiac); Vandi-

vier Ford Sales, Inc. (Ford); Keeling Motors, Inc. (Studebaker); Cooper Motor Sales, Inc. (Oldsmobile); Ingle Rambler Sales & Service (Rambler).

**Sheriff Department**—The Johnson County Sheriff Department is located on the Northwest corner of Monroe & West Court Streets. The department has 3 full time deputies and 2 radio equipped cruisers. The Sheriff is elected for a 4 year term.

**Additional County Statistics**—Percentage change in population since 1950—plus 66.9; per cent urban (1960) 54.2; Persons per square mile (1960) 138.7; Number of households (1960) 12,378; Assessed value of real estate (1958) \$34,222,730; State maintained highways (1960) 85.80 miles; Total county roads (1958) 575 miles; Manufacturing establishments (1958) 41; Employees (1958) 1,829; Value added by manufacturing (1958) \$15,294,000; Wages & salaries (1958) \$7,719,000; Retail Stores (1958) 358; Employees (1958) 1,209; Total retail sales (1958) \$35,853,000; Farms (1959) 1,173; Farm

Acreage (1959) 166,150; Average value per acre (1959) \$368.00; Value of farm products sold (1959) \$10,551,863; Motor Vehicle registrations—all vehicles (1961) 21,703; Registered voters (1960) 25,338; Votes cast (1960) 20,251

**Approximate Distance from Franklin To:**  
 Angola—177 Miles; Elkhart—161 Miles; French Lick—86 Miles; Indianapolis—20 Miles; Kokomo—70 Miles; Michigan City—171 Miles; New Albany—94 Miles; Shelbyville—17 Miles; South Bend—158 Miles; Chicago, Illinois—204 Miles; Cleveland, Ohio—315 Miles; Detroit, Michigan—297 Miles; Grand Rapids, Michigan—280 Miles; Kalamazoo, Michigan—230 Miles; Louisville, Kentucky—94 Miles; Mackinaw City, Michigan—497 Miles; St. Louis, Missouri—222 Miles; Toledo, Ohio—240 Miles

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| 1952 | 4,422   | 1960 5,465  |
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| 1956 | 4,776   | 1962 5,810  |

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*Drug Stores*—(4) City Drugs, Erdman's Pharmacy, Henderson Prescription Drug, Hook Drug Store.

*Laundries (Coin operated, self service)*—(5) Coin-O-Wash Laundry, Four-Oaks Laundromat, Franklin Laundrette, Wishy Washy Laundry & Dry Cleaning Center, B & W Speed Wash.

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*Lumber Businesses*—(3) Central L & M Supply, Davidson's Franklin Lumber Co., Graham Mfg. Co.

*Sand & Gravel*—(2) Davis & Walters, E & T Burnside Co.

*Attorneys*—Fourteen

*Beauty Shops*—Fourteen

*Service Stations*—(30) All the major gasoline companies are represented.

*City Parking Lot*—Located between West Court Street and Jackson Street;

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*Florist*—Ross Floral Co.

*Funeral Directors*—(3) Flinn & McGuire Funeral Home, Vandivier-Parsley Funeral Home, Vandivier Funeral Home.

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*Nursing Homes*—Four

*Taxicabs*—Radio Cab

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The area that is now Johnson County was ceded to the United States by the Delaware Indians in 1818, opening this area for settlement. The area was surveyed in 1819 and 1820 and was first offered for sale by the United States land office at Brookville, Indiana, in October, 1820, for the price of \$1.25 per acre—80 acres or one half of a quarter section was the least that could be bought, a small down payment was required, a certificate of entry furnished, and two years later, the land was required to be redeemed by the purchase price in full, and a patent deed issued signed by the President of the United States.

The first settlement in the County was thought to be in what is now the south part of Edinburg by John Campbell who came in 1820, and the Lowes and Dotys came into what is now White River Township shortly thereafter. The Dunhams, Millers and Wood-

ruffs came into what is now Nineveh Township in 1821, and the Thompsons, Townsends, Colliers, Cowans, Drybreads, Cutsingers, and others came into what is now Blue River Township the same year.

In the Fall of 1822, George King, Garrett Bergen and Simon Covert came from in the vicinity of Harrodsburg, Kentucky to look over the land in the New Purchase, all having been here twice before. They followed the old Indian trail to Blue River and were cited to the tract between Hurricane Creek and Young's creek, where grew a fine growth of beech, sugar tree, ash, walnut and poplar, and the spice bush was so thick underneath it was barely penetratable. They camped on what is now the land occupied by Stott hall at the college.

George King desired the 80 acre tract including what is now the Original Plat of the City of Franklin and

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land west thereof, but Daniel Prichard had already entered the tract, however, King found Prichard and paid him \$200 for the 80 acres, but the deed for it was now executed and placed off record until 1825. Covert entered the tract east of the 80 acres, and Bergen the 80 acre tract north of it.

George King was a wheelright, a native of Wythe County, Virginia, went with his mother to Kentucky when a lad; had accumulated a little money, and was desirous of settling himself in a new country at such a place as he could control the location of the County Seat, on lands he owned.

King, Bergen and Covert returned to Kentucky, but King shortly came back to the new country and began plans to go before the Legislature in Session at Corydon to form the New County; he secured a petition to establish a county in the Smiley Mill Neighborhood on Sugar Creek, but he abandoned this one, and secured another in Washington County near Salem. He then went to Corydon, and encountered opposition of one Harvey Gregg, who was trying to establish a county seat and county in the neighborhood of what is now Waverly, on White River. He and Gregg joined efforts, and King secured the only map of the State, traced a copy, met with the Committee on Organizations of Counties, got the Bill out of Committee, and on December 31, 1822, the Bill was enacted by the Legislature forming what is now Johnson County, out of what was then Delaware County, a rectangle 20 miles north and south, and 16 miles east and west, bounded by Bartholomew and what was to become Brown on the South, Morgan on the West, Marion on the North, and Shelby on the east. The area of the county has remained the same, except between 1830 and 1836, what is now Hamblen Township, Brown County, was part of Johnson County. The county was named for John Johnson, one of the first Supreme Court Judges in the State.

Governor Hendricks then appointed John Smiley who operated a mill on Sugar Creek at what is now the Greensburg Road, Sheriff of the County, and March 8, 1823 was chosen as election day to elect two Associate Judges, one

Clerk of the Circuit Court, one Recorder and three Commissioners. Elections were held at the house of Hazekiah Davidson in Blue River Township, and at the house of Daniel Boaz in White River Township. The County population at the time was estimated at 500 persons.

There was no incident at White River on Election day except a disagreement between Boaz and his son-in-law, but at Davidson's, William Williamson, a candidate for clerk had kegs of whiskey brought in and runners sent out on the trails to tempt the voters. There ensued a brawl at Davidson's that consisted of fighting, gouging, biting, baiting as never existed since at an election in this County. Those elected were Samuel Herriott, Clerk, Israel Watts and Daniel Boaz, Associate Judges, William Shaffer, Recorder, and William Freeman, John S. Miller and James Ritchey, Commissioners.

The new County was to assume its functions on the 2nd Monday in May, 1823. On May 1st the Commissioners appointed by the Governor were to meet and select a site for the County seat. There were three appointed, two of whom are remembered. Col. James Gregory of Shelby County, and Major McEwen of Bartholomew County. Amos Durbin submitted a site near the mouth of Sugar Creek in Blue River Township, George King submitted his site at what is now the Original Plat of the City of Franklin. The Durbin plat was immediately turned down, and George King submitted another site on land he had purchased located one mile north of what is now State Road 144 just west of Center Line Road, at what has been known for many years as Donnell Hill, in the exact center of the County. The Commissioners started to this plat, but a storm came up, they became lost, could not get across Young's Creek, and returned to what is now Franklin, to George King's cabin, and decided to locate the County seat on the King tract near Young's creek. Sam. Herriott, Clerk of the Circuit Court, suggested the name of the town, and King donated the Original Plat bounded by Young's creek on the South, on the east by the alley between



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David McCaughran, Surveyor, from Bartholomew County, surveyed the Original Plat donated by King, and the bend in Madison Street may be due to the intoxication of the Surveyor, but the brush and trees could have obscured his vision.

John Campbell was first appointed Agent to sell the Town lots, and Thomas Williams, took the job about 1825. The first sale was made Sept. 2, 1823, and said agent was provided whiskey and paper in the value of \$1.18 $\frac{3}{4}$ . A second sale was held Sept. 14, of that year. The Jail lot brought \$19.00 and the lot south of it the highest price of \$40.50. These lots, for the most part, have a 72 foot frontage on the street and are 144 feet deep. It required several years to grub the brush and trees from the public square.

The first Court House was not ready for occupancy until October, 1824, and stood on the present site of the Art-craft theater. It was built of log, 2 stories high with an outside stairway to the Court Room which held two split bottom chairs for the Judge and Clerk, and wooden benches for the Associate Judges, lawyers, jurymen, litigants and spectators. The County offices were supposed to be downstairs, but the of-

ficers kept their offices in their places of business or homes for several years thereafter.

The first Court convened at John Smiley's cabin on October 16, 1823, which stood just north of the present Greensburg Road, about one-half mile west of Sugar Creek; it was a double cabin with an open space between; Wm. W. Wick, Judge of the 5th Judicial Circuit, of which this county was a part, who lived in Indianapolis, presided, with the Associate Judges, Israel Watts and Daniel Boaz. The Clerk was Sam. Herriott and the Sheriff, John Smiley. Twelve men served as Grand Jurors, Wm. Barnett. Thomas Doan, John Harter, George King, Jonathan Palmer, John White, John A. Mow, Joab Woodruff, Wm. Foster, John Jacobs, Simon Shaffer, Jefferson D. Jones, and John Fraser. The legal proceedings took a short time—one civil judgment was rendered in the sum of \$33.54, and the grand jury returned indictments against four men for assault and battery and affray resulting from the fight on election day at the home of Hezekiah Davidson in Blue River township. Amos Durbin filed a petition for change of highway, thought later to be the Madison and Indianapolis State Road, an allowance of 75c each was made for the Grand Jurors, and \$2 to each of the Associate Judges. Court then adjourned to meet at George King's cabin, the next term, which would be in March, 1824. Practically every able bodied man in the County attended Court, and af-

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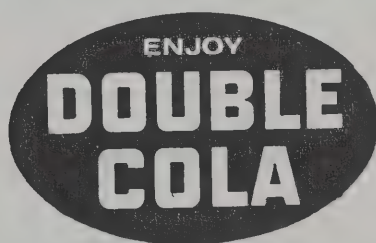




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ter adjournment, as Mrs. Smiley was sick in bed, Mrs. Nancy Rutherford served dinner to all of Corn bread, roast venison and wild turkey. After eating, all the men shot at a mark. There were three lawyers present besides the Judge, all of whom were from Indianapolis, namely, Dan. B. Wick, the Prosecuting Attorney, who was the Judge's brother, James Dunlavy and Calvin Fletcher.

The early settlers of Johnson County, for the most part, except those of the Nineveh settlement, were from Kentucky within a 40 mile radius of Harrodsburg, and most were neighbors and friends before they came. The Nineveh settlement, for the most part, was settled by Ohio people. The County, except for a few Indian Clearings was dense forest with thick underbrush, and the Indians returned to hunt and fish for several years after the County was organized. They were friendly, but were inclined to steal anything they could

find. Johnson County's land was not all purchased from the United States government until in the 1840s when the 1st tract was purchased in what is now Clark township. The eastern part of that township was called the Great Gulf, and was mostly swamp, and large areas in other parts of the County were swamp also. For thirty years after the county was settled and starting about 1830, each fall the greater part of the population suffered from malaria, then called the ague and fever. Almost all work would be suspended, and this did not cease until the fallen timbers were cleared and many of the swamps drained.

The Town of Franklin grew very little until the coming of the Madison and Indianapolis Railway in 1846, it reaching Indianapolis in 1849. Shortly after this, some of the roads leading into Franklin were planked.

George King became wealthy, for his time, by the subdividing his lands surrounding the Original Plat into lots. His first cabin was north of what is now West Jefferson Street, between what is now Walnut and West Streets. He later built a brick house on north Main Street, just north of the Present Masonic Temple and died there in 1868. He is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, as is his second wife, but a daughter and his first wife are buried in the Pioneer Cemetery in Province Park. George King and his family were instrumental in organizing the first Church in Franklin, the Presbyterian, in their cabin on November 30, 1824.

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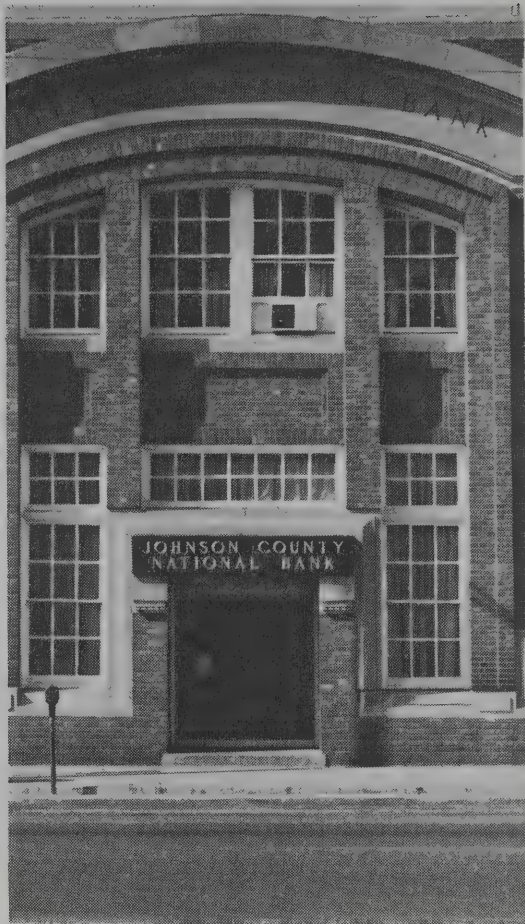
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*Elevation*—From 313 to 1,285 feet in altitude.

*Population*—Indiana ranks 11th in the U. S. with a population of 4,662,498 (1960 U. S. Census).

*Area*—36,291 square miles. 309 square miles of water. Length — 276 miles; average breadth — 140 miles. Ranks 38th in size in the U. S. Highest altitude 1,285 feet (Randolph County) Lowest altitude 313 feet (Vanderburgh County).

*Climate*—Annual mean temperature 52.5 degrees F. Annual mean precipitation 39.45 inches. Average temperature 76 in Summer and 31 degrees in Winter. Indiana became the 19th state to gain statehood, Dec. 11, 1816.

*State Capitol*—Indianapolis—State House built 1878-1888 replacing one built in 1835. Capitol moved from Corydon in 1825.

*State Flower*—Peony—may be seen in all parts of the state.

*State Song*—"On the Banks of the Wabash — Far Away," by Paul Dresser.

*State Bird*—Cardinal—Stays with us the year around. One of the prettiest birds in North America.

*State Tree*—Tulip Tree (Yellow Poplar) adopted March 3, 1931.

*Official State Motto*—"The Crossroads of America"—adopted 1937.

*Great Seal*—The seal depicts a pioneer scene — a woodsman felling a tree while a buffalo flees from the forest across the plains, and the sun sets in the distance. (officially adopted Feb. 1963).

*Nickname*—The authentic origin of the word "Hoosier" has not been definitely established. Many believe that this name came down from early settlers who called out a greeting to visitors, "Who's Hyer?"

*Industry*—Indiana ranks 3rd in U. S. in steel production. More than 50% of persons employed in industry work in metal industries. Building limestone, household furniture, brick and tile industries rank high. Rubber processing and prefabricated houses are two of In-

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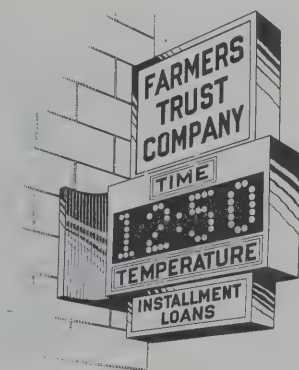


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*Natural Resources*—Included in the many natural resources in Indiana are coal, clay, gypsum, oil, natural gas, materials for cement and limestone. Indiana has over 5,000 pumping oil wells located in 56 counties. The state ranks 20th in mineral production.

*Recreation*—The state has more than 45,000 acres of public land for state parks and memorials. There are 22 state parks, 14 state memorials, 14 state forests and 14 state game farms for hunting and fishing.

*Education*—There are approximately 2,300 schools with more than 40,000 teachers. There are 4 state supported schools (colleges and universities). Ball State Teachers College, Indiana State College, Purdue University and Indiana University.

*Farms*—Indiana has approximately 170,000 farms covering 20 million acres—ranks 10th in farm income. Products—meat, corn, wheat, celery, potatoes, cabbage, onions, mint, tobacco etc.

*Counties in the State*—92.

*Number of State Senators*—50

*Number of State Representatives*—100

*General Assembly*—Convenes every two years—Jan. 2nd of odd years.

*State Senators and Representatives*—Elected for 4 year terms

*General Assembly in Session*—60 calendar days.

*Special Sessions*—40 calendar days.

*Special Session of the General Assembly*—May be called by the Governor.

*Conditions that must exist to call a Special Session*—"emergency" requiring legislative action before next regular session.

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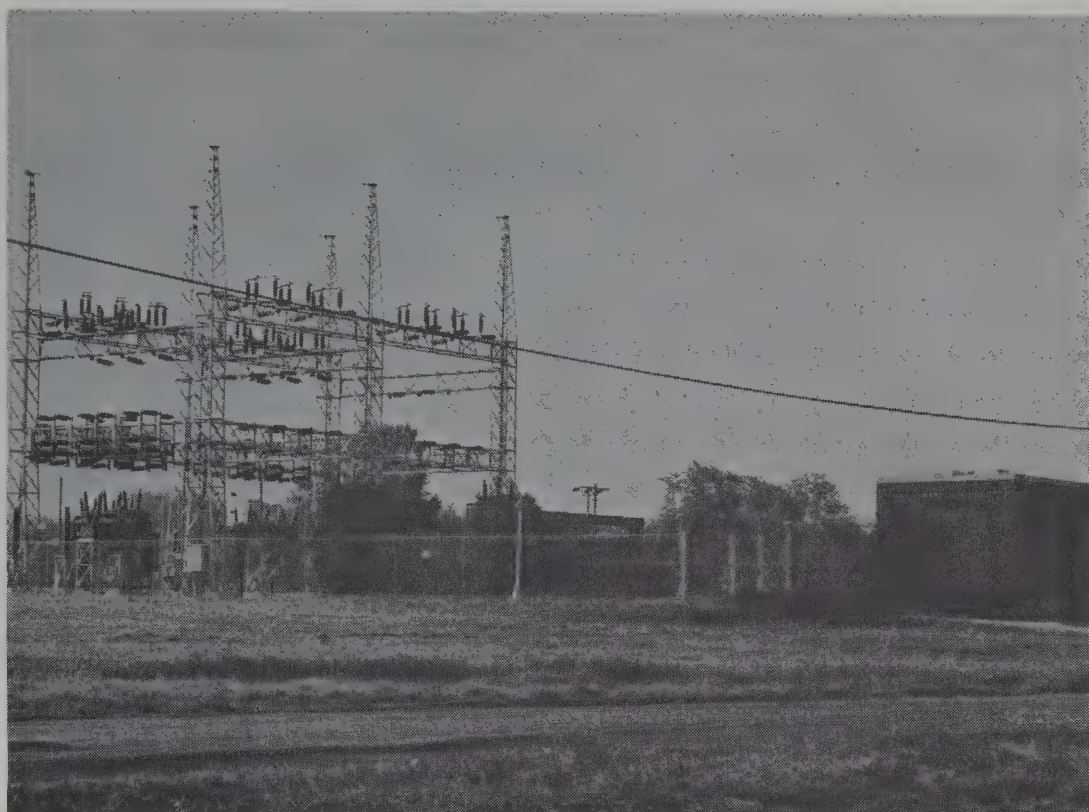
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*Indiana in 1962*—Estimated 175.

*Members 1963 General Assembly*—Senate— (26 Republicans — 24 Democrats) House of Representatives (56 Republicans — 24 Democrats).

*State Voters Registration*—After the 1962 Primary Election it was estimated the voter's registration to be 2,405,000. Indiana had 2,777,924 civilians of voting age under the 1960 decennial census.

*Indiana State Fair*—The Indiana State Fair is held in August at the Indiana State Fairgrounds—Indianapolis

*Airlines and Airports*—Indiana has eight major airlines serving eleven of the largest cities in the state. There are 105 commercially operated airports in the state.

*Ports and Tonnage*—4 ports on Lake Michigan. These ports handled more than 48,000,000 tons of freight in 1958. The Ohio River with its barge traffic carried over eight million tons of cargo in 1959.

*State Police*—Organized in 1935. There are 687 officers on the force that operate out of 11 districts which have 11 sub-posts; some posts have two sub-posts. State Police Headquarters located in the State Office Building, North Senate Ave., Indianapolis. Officers appointed on merit system and required to attend the Indiana State Police Academy at Bloomington.

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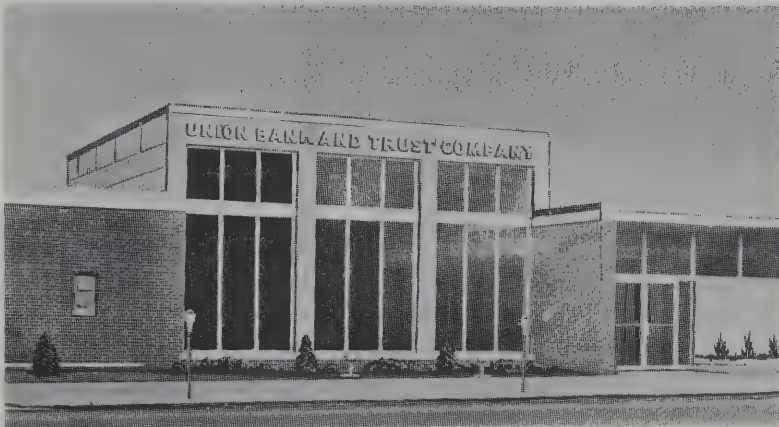
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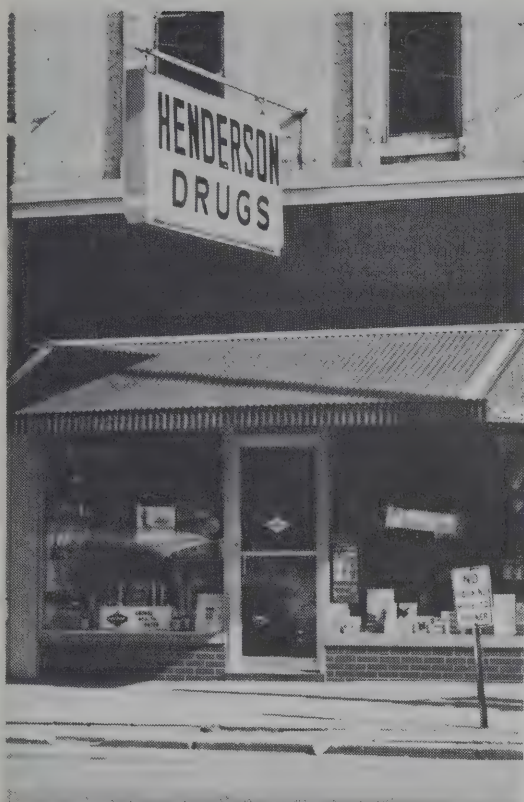
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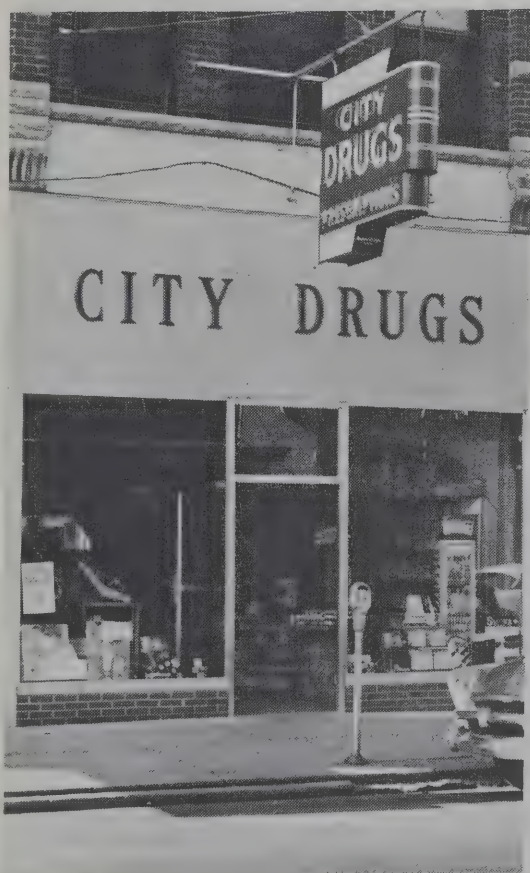
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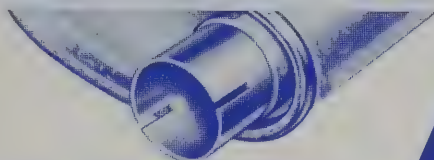
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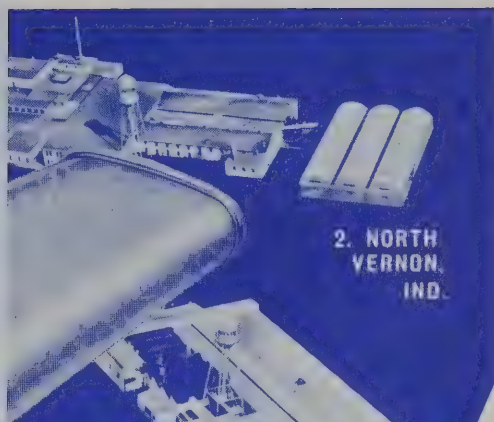
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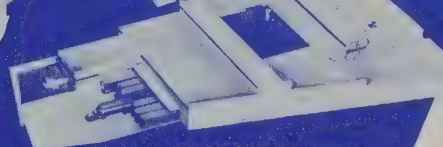
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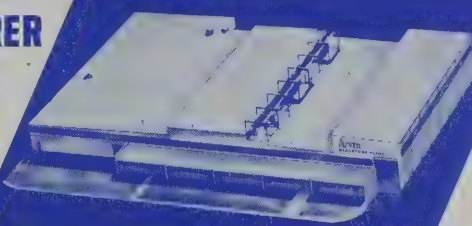
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